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D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capsule (Old Bottled).	18	1.50

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B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule.	7.50	0.75
C Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule.	10	1.00
CC Superior Old Dry, Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule.	10	1.00
D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old wine, White Seal Capsule.	14	1.40
E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled).	14	1.50

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D La Rose.	11	12.00

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B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule.	10	1.00
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GIN.	Per Case.	Per Bottle.
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The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1891.

TELEGRAMS.

FREE COINAGE BILL.
LONDON, January 20th.
Great pressure will be exercised on President Harrison to favour the Coinage Bill, if it passes the House of Representatives.

(From Singapore Papers.)
LONDON, January 19th.
The division in the Senate on the financial bill is fixed for Wednesday.

A reconciliation of the Parnellite party is expected.
The Sioux Indians are attacking the troops at Shoshone, Idaho, and burning the town; the Whites are fleeing for their lives.

The strikers on the railways in Scotland are still holding out.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE man who marries his first love loses a lot of fun.

SOME fathers pay their "tarts" alimony. Every father pays his baker alimony.

WE regret to hear of the death of Capt. A. McCallin, late of the steamship *Zafra*, which occurred at Civil Hospital this morning.

LATEST American story. "Let's see my dear, what is our prospective son-in-law, Baron of?" "Baron of funds—my dear—Baron of funds!"

"WHAT'S the difference," asked a teacher in arithmetic, "between one yard and two yards?" "A wall," was the reply of a member of the class. The teacher was silent.

THE gentleman from Indiana: "I withdraw the language, Mr. Speaker, but maintain that the gentleman from Illinois is not in order." The gentleman from Illinois: "How am I out of order?" The gentleman from Indiana: "Probably a veterinary surgeon could tell you."—Amen.

ONE of the symptoms of a victim to whisky is a continual moistening of the lips with the tongue. Under normal conditions Nature provides for this, but when the stomach and throat are overheated by alcohol, the lips get so parched that the tongue has to do frequent duty. We have this on the best authority.

WE would remind our readers of the athletic sports which come off at 1 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Hundreds of dollars worth of prizes are to be competed for, and the Governor and suite will visit the sports at 3 p.m. In such weather as now prevails there should be a big attendance and capital sport.

THE London *Lancet* thinks it is about time for people to get about clearing away the miserable spectacles which abound throughout the country under the name of bath-rooms, and to construct rooms for the performance of their daily ablutions in harmony with the importance and necessity of bodily cleanliness.

NICKEL is a modern metal. It was not in use nor known of till 1751. It has now largely taken the place of silver in plated ware, and as an alloy with steel it is superior to any other metal, for it is not only non-corroding itself, but it transfers the same quality to steel; even when combined as low as 5 per cent. it prevents oxidation.

SIR Walter Scott, in addition to being the prince of romances writers, appears to have been also something of a prophet. In his recently-published diary, speaking of a dinner party to which he had been invited by the mother of Queen Victoria, the Duchess of Kent, in 1838, he says of the then Princess Victoria, "She is, like the royal family, but does not look as if she would be pretty."

"HONESTY, my dear brethren, are the best policy, especially if you are in danger of being 'foul' out. In connection with my test I want to say that of de passion we put a bad nickel in de box last Sunday and took four good pennies in change don't put dem pennies back wear de belong to-day his name will be enounced as loud from dis day palpit dat de kinkly hat on his black head will stand out as straight as a reverend's remiss."—*Religious Paper*.

THERE are in London alone no less than 60,000 Hebrews, and their income each year is as nearly as possible £5,000,000 in the aggregate, while the average income of the Britisher is something like £14 a head, so that the Hebrews are more than twice as rich as the native race. Again, as regards those who are in the possession of ten thousand a year, the Semitic race tops the natives more than twenty times over.

A Government Gazette extraordinary issued this afternoon contains the following:—
FROM SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES TO GOVERNOR, HONGKONG.
"I congratulate Colony on the occasion of Jubilee and cordially wish long continued prosperity."
KNUTSFORD.

FROM SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES TO GOVERNOR, HONGKONG.
January 21st.
2.—"In answer to your telegram of to-day, Her Majesty the Queen is much pleased by this expression of loyalty and devotion and sincerely trusts that the signal prosperity now enjoyed by Hongkong may continue and increase."

THUS the Sydney *Bulletin* on the wanton waste of power that takes place daily in that city. "We would be glad to know if the dignity of the empire would suffer to any great extent supposing the Admiral should cease to fire a big gun every morning during his stay in Sydney Harbour, or, at least, if he should bombard in a somewhat lower key. Every time the thunderous old earth-shaker goes off, the patients in the hospital all up in a fright, and every now and then some weak and nervous subject is blasted into eternity by the shock, and then his surviving relatives go disloyal, and the livable 'beard' which unites us to the mother country is damaged in consequence. The 'beard' never did amount to much, and it can't stand having a gun fired at it regularly every morning."

A LOCAL factor says that small feet signify a quick temper and an evil tongue. Now every body will be starting at his wife to see whether her feet are large or small, and no matter which way the verdict is, we guess she woman-like will not be pleased.

THE success of the Hongkong team in the match with the Singapore Cricket Club is thus referred to by the *Straits Times*:—"Hongkong cricketers are to be congratulated on their decisive victory over the S. C. C. They played hard for it, and won it manfully. In large part the credit must go to the bowling of Barr and Lawson, just as in the 'Straits Team' victories the credit was largely due to the bowling of Fox and McKenzie."

THE great American struggle, Black v. White, is doing nothing. In the State of Mississippi the negroes' voting power already exceeds the white by 50,000. "Better a race-conflict and extermination of one of the races, than to submit to the rule of the majority of ignorant and barbarous blacks," says a local paper. One remedy proposed is to allow the white women of the South to vote to balance the negro vote. Many of the leading Southern newspapers have endorsed the idea, but all such schemes are mere palliatives.

QUITE recently nearly 9,000 children attended the Sydney R.C. Cathedral to take the temperance-pledge. As the revenues of the R.C. church in Australia emanate at present in so large a degree from the drink traffic, this strong young temperance movement strikes one with great force as being a social step in the right direction. It is almost as pleasant and radical a reform as if one of these days we should see all the Hebrew children troop into the Synagogue, and in a loud voice, take the pledge against usury.

MR. PAUL, the Deputy Commissioner of Darjeeling, on behalf of the Indian Government, and Mr. James H. Hart (not Sir Robert Hart, as stated in a telegram to *The Times*), for the Chinese Government, will meet shortly in Calcutta to discuss the matters which were left to be subsequently settled under the Sikkim-Tibet Treaty. Mr. Paul left London a short time since, and Mr. James H. Hart is also believed to be on his way thither. It will be remembered, says the *London and China Express*, that the matters to be discussed relate to pasturage, trading facilities between India and Tibet, and the method in which official communications shall be made in future between the authorities in India and Tibet.

A CRICKET match between H.K.C.C. and United Services will be commenced at 2 p.m. to-morrow, and will be continued at 11 a.m. on Saturday, the 24th instant. Tiffin will be served on the ground on Saturday.

H.K.C.C.	United Services.
G. S. Coxon.	Captain Dunn, A.S.D.
A. J. Leach.	A. J. Campbell, 91st.
E. W. Maitland.	Captain Carden, R.A.
F. Maitland.	G. G. Boyle, R.A.
C. S. Barr.	Major Hannay, 91st.
J. A. Dawson.	F. H. Walter, R.N.
S. J. Lawley.	L. W. Lewis, R.N.
S. W. Coxon.	R. B. Gwynne, R.N.
L. Barr.	L. O. Lyne, R.N.
H. Stow.	Sergeant Clarke, 91st.
T. S. Smith.	Pte. Steel, 91st.

THE inferior animals which live in general, regular and temperate lives, have generally their prescribed term of years. The horse lives 25 years, the ox 15 or 20, the lion about 20, the dog 10 or 12, the rabbit eight, the guinea-pig six or seven years. These numbers all bear a similar proportion to the time the animal takes to grow its full size. But man, of all the animals, is the one that seldom comes up to his average. He ought to live one hundred years, according to his physical law, for five times twenty are one hundred; but, instead of that, he scarcely reaches on the average, four times his growing period; the cat six times, and the rabbit even eight times the standard of measurement. The reason is obvious—man is not only the most irregular and the most intemperate, but the most laborious and hard worked of all the animals.

SOME time ago a decree was issued by the Emperor Dowager, ordering the Board of Revenue to send in a statement of China's revenue. In compliance with this order the Board has now sent in the following statement:—Amount derived from the Foreign Customs, about Tls. 15,000,000 annually; from the Government Land Tax, about Tls. 10,000,000; from Salt Revenue, about Tls. 12,000,000; revenue from old Chinese Customs about Tls. 3,000,000; from *Likin* Offices about Tls. 13,000,000; Duty on Tea and Salt, about Tls. 3,500,000; revenue from Duty on general merchandise, about Tls. 15,000,000; economical expenses, about Tls. 530,000. This statement gives a total figure of some Tls. 80,000,000 annually from the different revenue departments. The statement has been forwarded to His Majesty the Emperor for inspection.

THE congregation of the East Melbourne Synagogue recently met together in the Lord's name to call each other liars, and in general way dance upon the injunctions of Moses. Hitherto the outside world has imagined that when Jews were concerned in any matter appertaining to their ancient faith they stood in the corner, and called Heaven to witness that they never carried on like the Presbyterians, Wesleyans, Baptists, and similar combustible lambs. Times must be changing for the worse here. Up at East Melbourne, where the lineal descendants of Abraham have been shaking their fists, and casting ignominious insinuations concerning "clowns" at the retiring chief elder, who wanted to borrow fresh rabbits for special occasions, and also to set up a female choir, a thing never heard of since the crossing of the Red Sea. Meanwhile the synagogue appears in danger of going stone-blind without the assistance of the aforesaid elder, and the whole situation is involved in the bad language and terms, usually associated with primitive Methodism and Christianity at large. We fear the Jews are becoming converted.

Mr. Bennett Burleigh, the well-known war correspondent, at a meeting of London East End workers said he had found by full personal investigation that the women who make match-boxes earned as little as 7s. per week, out of which they had to pay 4s. 6d. for rent, and the balance being all that was left to supply food and clothing. The House of Commons lengthily and solemnly discussed the "preservation of hares," but how to preserve human life the East End might better have occupied their attention. A match-box maker who was at the meeting said she had a dying husband at home and was only able to earn five shillings weekly, and sometimes not even so much, on account of being summoned for not sending her starving children to school. Even by working until the small hours in the morning she could not really keep body and soul together. Several other workers gave their testimony to the same effect, and one woman stated that she had been twenty years in the trade and was now worse paid than formerly. The price for boxes having been reduced from 2d. to 2d. per gross. Happy England! Happy Jew!

THE earth's richest newspaper is the N. Y. *World*, which last year netted £240,000.

A STRAITS paper states that the competition of the Hamburg Dampschiff-Rhederei's steamers has led the Messageries Maritimes Company to reduce their passenger fares between Batavia and Singapore. Their steamer the *Godavery* which runs between Batavia and Samarang is said to be doing an increasing business, owing to the voyage being direct without calling at intermediate ports.

THE Christmas issue of *Scribner* is specially embellished, specially illustrated, specially contributed to, and specially big—specialities which render it a particularly welcome item in the large flow of seasonable literature. Sir Edwin Arnold has the first place with the opening paper of a series on Japan, elaborately illustrated by Robert Blum. He describes life particularly in Tokio. By the way, he does not praise the climate of Japan, though he characterises it as fairly healthy. Autumn and spring are the best seasons. The June rains are followed by six sultry weeks, which prove very muggy and trying, and from December to March the cold is extremely bitter and the winds of times savagely bleak. Tokio has 58°33 inches of rainfall, as against 24°76 at Greenwich. In the centre of the magazine is a pastoral without words, daintily executed, but having a very unchristian ending—a crying maiden and a broken basket of eggs.

It is stated that some question connected with the Loochoo Islands will be put in the Japanese Diet owing to the circumstances detailed below. The new Chinese Minister will bring forward questions connected with Formosa and the Loochoos upon his arrival, under secret instructions from the Viceroy Li Hung-chang. What ground will the Government take up in these negotiations? The Loochoos proper, Miyake, Yagajima, etc., are warm and fertile, and are in no way inferior, if not superior, to the Hokkaido, yet the Government are making no efforts to colonise these places. Is it because the Government fears to wound the susceptibilities of the Chinese asked the *Japan Herald*? It should not be forgotten that these islands now belong to Japan, and are placed under the supervision of the Okinawa prefectural authorities, but it is said some of their inhabitants ran away to China and placed themselves under its jurisdiction, which seems to be ignored by the Japanese Government. It is the duty of the representatives to propose such questions in order to obtain an explanation from the authorities, in consequence of which they are looking up all the details connected with the matter.

The following items of general news are taken from the *London and China Express* of the 19th ultimo:—

All the Russian Consuls to China who are now at home are assembled at St. Petersburg to hold a conference as to the means of developing Russian trade with China. This meeting has been promoted by M. Vishnegradski, the Finance Minister, who will preside over the deliberations.

Several of the German Journals announce that meetings have taken place at the Ministry of Finance with the object of considering measures for the development of commercial relations with China.

Rome, a memorable occasion, was saved by her geese, and it would seem that Canada is to be saved from Mr. McKinley's designs upon her commerce by the same useful bird. A Canadian Government Commissioner has been over in Europe looking up possible markets for the Dominion's products. He has reported to the Ottawa Government that a good market for Canadian poultry exists in Great Britain; and, as a consequence of his report, a consignment of over fifty tons of turkeys and geese is ready for shipment to our shores.

Strong drafts of the 1st Northamptonshire Regiment and 2nd Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders have been ordered to leave Aldershot for Portsmouth, and embark in the *Comet* for conveyance to Singapore and Hongkong. Drafts of the Medical Staff Corps and Military Foot Police also leave Aldershot at the same time for Gibraltar and Egypt.

It is now some ten years since any German war vessel circumnavigated the globe. The cruiser *Minerva* next April will set out on an expedition round the world. Contrary to the course generally adopted by German vessels making for the Cape of Good Hope, the *Minerva* will, according to a German contemporary, go round Cape Horn to the Western Coast of America, and thence to Japan. The return journey will be made from Calcutta via Madras, Singapore, Johore, Amoy, and the Cape of Good Hope.

The Admiralty do not intend to bring the gunboat *Swinger* home from the Australian station on her being relieved by the *Ringdove*, and they have accordingly issued directions for her being sold "all standing" at Sydney. The *Swinger* was built as far back as 1873, at a cost of £10,000 for hull and £3,900 for machinery. She has been almost continuously in commission, having served three commissions in China, and two on the Australian station.

The *World* announces that the Queen has "reconsidered her former answer," and has definitely promised to inaugurate the Manchester Ship Canal "during the autumn." The words of the canal are, we hear on the same authority, advancing far more rapidly than was anticipated; and "the Mayor, Mr. J. Mark, is already considering with his colleagues the various details of the Royal visit."

Chinese competition is increasing in every sphere of life in the colonies, but hitherto the Celestials have not invaded the professions. Now, however, a Chinese youth at Greymouth, N.Z., who five or six years ago on his arrival from Canton could not speak one word of English, is studying for the profession of a lawyer. He received his English education at the State school at Greymouth, where he distinguished himself by carrying off several prizes, standing very high in the general examinations.

The season on the Riviera may be said to have commenced when Mr. James Gordon Bennett has started his "mail-coaches" there. One of these "coaches" runs from Nice to Cannes, the double journey being accomplished in three hours, with relays at Antibes. This coach is driven by Mr. Bennett himself, who charges each passenger 20s. Those, however, who wish to sit near *le cochon*, and profit by his well-known lectures on the passing scenery, must pay 3s. extra.

It will be remembered that some six years since the Chinese Government established a legation in Lima, which was placed under the Minister at Washington, with a resident *chargé d'affaires*; but the efforts of the Chinese officials would not seem to have been successful in obtaining a mitigation of the evils to which their countrymen are subjected. According to a recent British Consular Report, slavery in Peru came to an end in 1845, and a few years later began the produce for exportation of sugar, &c. Labour was supplied to a certain extent by Chile, and much more by the importation of Chinese coolies; indeed, all the railways were constructed by coolies and Chilians; the latter

however, since the war are no longer available. But now further supplies of Chinese coolies also can no longer be obtained for Peru; for, in consequence of the barbarous treatment which they received and still receive, the Chinese Government have prohibited emigration to the Republic. Coolies on some properties work in chains to prevent their running away, are chained and locked up at night, and undergo cruel tortures when punishment is exercised; the truck system prevails, so that the coolie is always in debt to his master, who often makes a profit, even upon the coolie retailed in lieu of a portion of his wages. To the credit of the Peruvians it must be stated that the estates chiefly conspicuous for maltreatment of the Chinese labourers are owned and managed by foreigners.

Mr. Yoshida Jiro, the Consul-General for Japan in London, was present at the dinner of the Association of Foreign Consuls on the 18th inst. at the Hotel Metropole.

A dinner was given by the Liberal Union Club, at the Criterion, on the 16th inst., to Mr. J. A. Froode, Sir Henry James, Q.C. M.P., who presided, spoke of recent events as having vindicated the position taken up by Disraeli Liberals five years ago. Their work for the future, he said, must be in the direction of beneficent legislation in Ireland. Mr. Froode, in responding to the toast of his health, addressed himself at considerable length to Irish history, and also spoke of the necessity of beneficial legislation for Ireland. He specially praised the land legislation of Mr. Gladstone. He recommended that Ireland should be treated as India was—beyond the reach of party politics. Concluding, he quoted the saying that "You must govern an Asiatic well or he will cut your throat," and said that that was his last word on the Irish question.

M. Bonvalot and Prince Henry of Orleans were entertained at a banquet on the 18th inst. by the Travellers' Society of France. A dinner was proposed at the Hotel Metropole, but M. Bonvalot responded by drinking to the exiles who had died on the field of honour. He spoke very modestly of his recent explorations, begging to be excused for not having done more on account of the cold, hunger, and thirst against which the party had had to contend. He gave a humorous account of the monotony of their diet, and the rudeness of their cookery, and expressed a hope that they had been able to render some service to France and to science. Several other toasts were afterwards given.

It is expected that the Earl of Meath and Sir Joseph Pease, M.P., will proceed in person to St. Petersburg to meet an audience of the Czar to present to His Majesty the memorial adopted at the Guildhall meeting on the subject of the treatment of the Jews in Russia. These two gentlemen, we learn, have been in communication with the Russian Ambassador in London to inquire whether the Emperor would receive them as a deputation on the subject. The diplomatist could,

of the British occupation, and opposite, at the southern end, a bird's-eye view of the colony as it is to-day, adorned the centre of the wall. St. Andrew's hall was got up in Chinese style, and strange to say no Scotchman there objected to the walls being draped with large yellow dragon flags, Chinese fans and huge paper lanterns. Over each doorway were Chinese brightly-colored presentation umbrellas, while at suitable intervals were hung long Chinese streamers bearing unflattering characters. The floors were in excellent condition for dancing, and these who were not satisfied, if there were such, must indeed be hard to please. The bar, card, and cloak-rooms were admirably arranged, indeed was everything connected with the ball.

Punctually at the appointed hour, 8.30 p.m., his Excellency the Governor, Lady Des Vaux and suite arrived, and were received by the members of the Jubilee Committee who escorted them to St. George's hall where his Excellency opened the ball at half-past nine with Mrs. Mitchell-Innes as his partner in the first quadrille. Once commenced, dancing was kept up until half-past eleven when the first part of the programme being completed an adjournment was made to the supper room, in the theatre, where a sumptuous repast was supplied by the Victoria Hotel. Sir James Russell, in the absence of the Governor who was obliged to retire at an early hour, led the way in to the supper room followed by Major General Barker, R.E.S. and upwards of a hundred of the guests. During supper the hand of the A. & S. Highlanders played a selection of music commencing with the "Jubilee March" lately composed by the local Rehearsers, Mr. Ruckwoldy. Owing to the clattering and chattering which was carried on continuously below, very little was heard of the speeches made but the toast of "The Queen" and that of "His Excellency the Governor and prosperity to the Colony" were received with enthusiasm.

After supper dancing was continued, and it was not till after two o'clock that the strains of "God Save the Queen" announced that the ball held in commemoration of the Colony's Jubilee had come to a close terminating what will long be remembered as one of the most brilliant social successes that Hongkong has known, and exceptionally remarkable on account of the auspicious occasion.

The following was the programme:—

DANCE PROGRAMME.
Quadrille.....Knight of the Thistle.
Waltz.....Ambassadors.
Waltz.....Little Sellers.
Polka.....P. & O.
Lancers.....Vivacity.
Waltz.....Toucan Waltz.
Waltz.....Frauenliebe.
Highland Schottische.....The Red Hussar.
Lancers.....The Red Hussar.

SUPER RANCES.
Waltz.....Schots.
Waltz.....Diana.
Waltz.....Golden Myrtle.
Polka.....Comme il Faut.
Waltz.....The Fan.
Lancers.....In the Ville du Tambour Major.
Waltz.....Les Initiates.
Waltz.....Soubrette.

The gentlemen in charge of the various arrangements were as follows:—Chairman—Sir James Russell; Stewards—the Jubilee Committee; Hon. Secretary—Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, C.M.G.; Hon. Treasurer—Mr. C. P. Chater; Decoration Committee—Mr. J. M. Stewart; Lancers, Capt. Ramsey, R.N., Lieut. Cooper Key, R.N., Capt. Henderson, A. & S. H., Capt. Clayton, Messrs. C. Ford, J. McCallum, and F. W. Cross; Supper—Capt. G. C. Anderson; Cloak and Card Room—Mr. R. Lyall.

LAUNCH OF THE "EMPEROR OF JAPAN"

On the 13th ult., the *Emperor of Japan* a large steel twin screw steamer, built for the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, was launched from the yard of the Naval Construction and Armaments Company at Barrow, being the second launched from the same yard for this company. A third, the *Empress of China* is at present in course of construction. These vessels are intended to start from Vancouver to Yokohama and will cover the distance in considerably less time than it is done at present. She is 485 ft. long over all; 44 ft. between perpendiculars; breadth, moulded, 51 ft.; depth, moulded, 36 ft.; tonnage, 5,700 gross tons. The engines will indicate about 10,000 horse power. The *Emperor of Japan* has been built to Admiralty requirements as a cruiser, and can be armed and made ready for duty in a few hours, her guns being stored in readiness at Vancouver and Hongkong. Her armament will consist of the largest type of 4.7 in. guns. The launching ceremony was performed by Lady Alice Stanley of Preston, daughter-in-law of the Governor-General of Canada.

Lord Hartington, at a subsequent lunch, proposed "Success to the *Emperor of Japan*," and said that, although these ships would form the connecting link between Canada and Japan and China, the Canadian route would not be so complete and perfect as it was capable of being made until communication was established by a first-class line of vessels between England and Canada direct. He trusted that, through the agency of the Naval Construction and Armaments Company, and by the active exertions of the managing director (Mr. Bryce Douglas), who had recently been to Canada on this very important matter, in a short time a new enterprise would be launched which would open up direct communication with British ports and Canadian Atlantic ports, and thence, by means of the Canadian Pacific Railway and the Grand Trunk Railway, to open up not only steam communication with China and Japan, but with the Australian colonies. Circumstances connected with the State business of this country might, perhaps somewhat delay the inception of this enterprise, but he had not the slightest doubt that sooner or later this enterprise would be completed, and that the Barrow Company would play a very considerable part in establishing this very valuable communication. He gave the toast of "The *Emperor of Japan*."

Mr. Kersey replied on behalf of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The Chairman proposed "The Health of Lady Alice Stanley," and the Hon. Edward Stanley replied. Mr. Bryce Douglas, in behalf of his company, presented Lady Alice Stanley with a magnificent card case, on which was embossed a view of the *Emperor of Japan*, as a souvenir of the launching.—*L. and C. Express.*

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Captain J. A. Morris, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 26th instant, at 9 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1891. [169]

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, ANTWERP, HAMBURG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ALDERLEY."

Captain Davis, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

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All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1891. [170]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

NOTICE.

Tiffin will be in readiness an hour earlier than usual, i.e. MIDDAY, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY).

R. TUCKER, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1891. [171]

LOST.

A FOX-TERRIER BITCH answering to the name of "TRIXIE." Finder will be rewarded on returning same to the Office of THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1891.

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REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Hongkong, 1st July, 1890.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1890. [1567]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, NO. 2, OTERBY ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1891.

GENERAL NOTICE.

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EQUAL TO.....

RESERVE FUND.....\$318,000.00

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HEAD OFFICE, 8 & a, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December 1890. [1725]

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ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 525.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in FREEMASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY next, the 24th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited. Hongkong, 20th January, 1891. [163]

Intimations.

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS AND CONTRACTORS.

YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS, KOWLOON.

OFFICE—No. 12, D'AGUIAR STREET, Hongkong, 24th August, 1890. [150]

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1891.

A. G. GORDON & COMPANY, LIMITED.

FINAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that unless the unpaid Allotments and CALLS due 15th May, 1890, and 4th February, 1891, respectively, on the undermentioned Shares together with interest of 12 per cent. per annum, are paid to the undersigned at the registered office of the Company, 9, Praya Central, on or before THURSDAY, the 5th February, 1891, the Shares in respect of which such allotments and calls are due will, in terms of the Company's Articles of Association, be liable to be FORFEITED without further notice.

Nos. 2,431/2,530, 2,531/2,600, 1,981/1,990, 3,714/3,720, 2,601/2,700, 2,751/2,800, 1,511/1,555, 1,745/1,755, 1,595/1,641, 1,641/1,670, 2,251/2,5.

By Order, A. G. GORDON, General Manager.

Hongkong, 20th Jan. 1891. [166]

THE SHANGHAI CH'OMO AND PHOTO LITHOGRAPHIC COMPANY, (LIMITED).

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WALTER W. BREWER, Sole Agent for Hongkong and the Southern ports. Hongkong, 10th November, 1890. [45]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Fourth Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 2, Street, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 26th day of January, 1891, at 4 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to the 31st November last.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to 26th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, E. W. MANTLAND, Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1891. [1504]

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NOTICE.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SANDAKAN.

IN ITS PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will and Estate of CHARLES WALTER FLINT, of Sandakan, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other persons having any claims against the Estate of CHARLES WALTER FLINT, deceased, late of Sandakan, Merchant, Probate of whose Will has been granted by the High Court of Sandakan, to H. B. DUNLOP of Sandakan, Executor appointed by the Will of the said deceased, are hereby required to send in particulars of such claims to the said undersigned, on or before the Thirtieth day of October, 1891. And Notice is hereby given that after such date the said Executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

Dated this First day of November, 1890.

P. F. J. MARCUS, Registrar.

Receiver for the said Executor.

High Court, Sandakan. [149]

Intimations.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Company's Hotel, on THURSDAY, the 5th February next, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of confirming the Six Special Resolutions passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 19th last.

P. LYALL, Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1891. [167]

NOW READY.

THE BRITISH "NEW NAVIGATION," and the FRENCH "NEW NAVIGATION" simplified by JOHN AMBROSE CLARKE, teacher of Officers and Engineers, Hongkong. A 40 correspondence to the local papers on physical astronomy by the author of this work.

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Also a most interesting problem, relative to the Shadow of a building upon the Dial of Ahar.

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Del Gratia.

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J. A. CLARKE.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1891. [112]

NOTICE.

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NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG and the Coast Ports are always ready.

Opening 10th September 1890. [48]

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above Club will be held at the City Hall, on TUESDAY, the 7th of January, at 4.30 p.m., at which the following Rule will be submitted for the approval of the Meeting:—

RULE.

"If the Stewards or any ten Members of the Club who shall certify the same in writing shall be of opinion that the conduct of any member, either within or outside of the Club premises, and either in matters connected with racing or otherwise, has been injurious to the character, interests, welfare, good order, or credit of the Club, the Stewards shall request such member to resign within one month after such request, the Stewards shall convene, or call, Extraordinary General Meetings of the Club for the purpose of expelling the said member. Such Extraordinary General Meetings shall be convened, called and held, and the resolutions thereat shall be passed, confirmed, and circulated, in the manner prescribed by rules 31 and 32 of the Club."

This Meeting has been called in consequence of the following written requisition which is signed by the following Members of the Club.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1890.

To the Stewards of the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Gentlemen,

We, the undersigned resident members of the Hongkong Jockey Club are of opinion that it is desirable for the interests of the Club that a Rule should be forthwith passed and confirmed, providing for the resignation or expulsion from the Club of any member whose conduct, either within or outside of the Club premises, and either in matters connected with racing or otherwise, has been injurious to the character, interests, welfare, good order, or credit of the Club.

Accordingly we hereby request that you will call Extraordinary General Meetings of the Club under rules 30, 31 and 32, for the purpose of passing and confirming such a rule as above mentioned, and we suggest that such rule might be worded somewhat as follows:—

(Here follows the Rule as above set out and the names of the ten resident members.)

By Order of the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

E. H. GORE-BOOTH, Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1891. [107]

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 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$115 per share, buyers.
 Vanuatu Insurance Association—\$89 per share, nominal.
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 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$330 per share, sales.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$89 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$89 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$265 per share, buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—130 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$145 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Telephone Company—\$175 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$101.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—27 per cent. discount, sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$47 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$173 per share, buyers.
 Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$96 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$95 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$212 per share, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886, E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$112 per share, buyers.
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 Puntum and Sunghle-Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$2 per share, sellers.
 The Raub Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—80 cents per share, buyers.
 Imuri Mining Co., Ltd.—\$141 per share, sellers.
 The National Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$15 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$81 per share, sellers.
 Tongmin Coal Mining Co.—\$500 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—77 per share, sellers.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$7 per share, buyers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Ltd.—\$63 per share, sellers.
 The Seng Kok Planting Co., Ltd.—\$114 per share, buyers.
 Crichton & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nom.
 The Steam Land Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Austin Arms and Building Co., Ltd.—40 per cent. dis., sellers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$12 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Ltd.—\$18 per share, sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$20 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$87 per share, sales.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$71 per share, sales.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$22 per share, sellers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$30 per share, sellers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$30 per share, sellers.
 The Labuk Planting Co., Ltd.—\$31 per share, sellers.
 The Lamag Planting Co., Ltd.—\$7 per share, sellers.
 The Jelobu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$2 per share, sellers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$130 per share, sellers.
 The Shamoon Hotel Co., Ltd.—nominal.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$17 per share, sellers.
 The Trust and Loan Co. of China and Japan.—\$791 per share, sales.
 The Trust and Loan Co. of C. J. and S.—\$180 Founders shares.
 The Hongkong Marine, Limited—nominal.
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The 'Den' line steamer *Bentley*, from Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 15th instant and is due here to-morrow.
 The 'Union' line steamer *William Bram*, left Singapore on the 17th instant and is due here on the 24th.
 The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Sardinia*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 20th instant and is due here on the 27th.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Gwalior* left Bombay for this port on the 10th instant and is due here on the 27th.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Canton* left London for this port on the 20th ult.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

ALWIN, German steamer, 400, A. Bendine, 21st Jan.—Pakhol, and Holow 20th Jan. General—Wielor & Co.
 TAI YICK, German steamer, 920, N. H. Emcke, 21st Jan.—Saloon 15th January, Rice and Paddy—Meyer & Co.
 SHIMAN, British steamer, 848, E. F. Stovell, 22nd Jan.—Saloon 17th Jan, Rice and Paddy—Meyer & Co.
 ALDERLEY, British steamer, 1,971, Davis, 22nd Jan.—Hamburg, and Singapore 15th Jan. General—Russell & Co.
 BORNEO, Dutch steamer, 1,560, H. Kolla, 22nd Jan.—Billiton 13th Jan. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 AJAX, British steamer, 1,500, E. Rowlands, 22nd Jan.—Nagasaki 17th Jan. General—Butterfield & Swire.

CLARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
 Lydia, German steamer, for Yokohama.
 China, American steamer, for Yokohama.
 Auecht, British steamer, for Saigon.
 Taitung, British steamer, for Swatow.
 Alvin, German steamer, for Hoihow.
 Cheong Hock Kien, British str., for Amoy.
 Palmarus, British str., for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.
 January 22, *Heiperta*, German steamer, for Singapore.
 January 22, *Namoa*, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
 January 22, *Ningbo*, German str., for Whampoa.
 January 22, *Peking*, German str., for Whampoa.
 January 22, *Pakho*, British str., for Singapore, &c.
 January 22, *China*, American steamer, for Yokohama, &c.
 January 22, *Taiwan*, British str., for Swatow, &c.
 January 22, *Cheong Hock Kien*, British str., for Amoy.
 January 22, *Normanby*, British steamer, for Sandakan.
 January 22, *Palmarus*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.

PARANES ARRIVED.
 Per *Ayas*, str., from Nagasaki—Captains and Mrs. Brotherton and son, and Mr. Thompson.
 Per *Borneo*, str., from Billiton—50 Chinese.

DEPARTED.
 Per *Pakho*, str., for Singapore—Mr. and Mrs. E. Abdoles, R. V. E. Torres, Messrs. Douglas Dick, A. M. Silva, Lee Pang Bun, Tan Pak Seng, and L. Douglas. For Penang—Mr. Cheong Ah Choo, For Colombo—Mrs. J. D. Humphreys, For Bombay—Mrs. Howard, For London—Mrs. Edwin, K. C. E. Miss Arnold and maid, Messrs. F. Pannell and G. Davis. For Malacca—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Church and child, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Florence White, Messrs. C. W. Anderson, Haddon, and Griffin. For Melbourne—Messrs. Lim Ah Ching, Lim Ah Hing, Lim Ah Nim, and Lim Ah To.
 Per *China*, str., for Yokohama—Consul and Mrs. von Kretzner. For San Francisco—Mrs. K. Williams, Mrs. E. Marston, Mrs. Weston, Miss Grace Plasted, and 3 Europeans. For London—Mrs. Haselton.

REPORTS.
 The British steamship *Stikas* reports that she left Saigon on the 17th instant. Had fine weather throughout the passage.
 The British steamship *Alderley* reports that she left Hamburg, and Singapore on the 12th instant. Had strong north-east gales with heavy sea from 12th till 20th, thence moderate winds and fine weather till arrival.

Post Office.

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 For Straits and Bombay—Per *Lombardy* on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 11:30 A.M.
 For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne—Per *Guthrie* on Wednesday, the 28th instant, at 3:30 P.M.
 For Fuzhou, Amoy, Australia, India, &c. Madras, and Mauritius—Per *Sydney* on Thursday, the 29th instant, at 11:00 A.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
 BENLONOND, British steamer, 1,752, A. W. S. Thomson, 16th Jan.—Mojl, Japan, 10th Jan. Coal—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 CROYSANO, British steamer, 1,194, W. E. Sawyer, 21st Jan.—Whampoa 21st Jan. General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 DECIMA, German steamer, 965, C. Christensen, 21st Jan.—Saloon 14th January, Rice—E. Schellhaus & Co.
 FAME, British steamer, 117, J. H. St. John, Hongkong Government tender.
 FIDELIO, German steamer, 853, H. Brosen, 16th Jan.—Toursa 14th Jan. General—Melchers & Co.
 GENERAL WENNER, German steamer, 3,020, M. Eichel, 16th Jan.—Yokohama 7th Jan. Mails and General—Melchers & Co.
 INDEPENDENT, German steamer, 931, A. Hasenwinkler, 17th Jan.—Mauritius and Singapore 6th January, Sugar—Wielor & Co.
 LOMBARDY, British steamer, 1,570, J. F. Jephson, 17th Jan.—Bombay 28th Dec. and Singapore 9th Jan. General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 LUDIA, German steamer, 1,200, Furch, 21st Jan.—Singapore 16th January, General—Schellhaus & Co.
 MEXICO, German steamer, 657, W. Peizer, 21st Jan.—Saloon 31st December, Rice—E. Schellhaus & Co.
 PEMROCKSHIRE, British steamer, 1,716, Dub-caster, 17th Nov.—Singapore 7th Nov. General—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,011, J. A. Morris, 21st Jan.—Bangkok 13th Jan. Rice and General—Yuen Fat Hong.
 SORACHI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,100, A. G. Spire, 10th January—Otaru January, 7th Jan. Coal—Butterfield & Swire.
 TAYLOR, British steamer, 1,545, W. Waring, 20th Jan.—Mol 12th January, Coal—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 THANCE AV, Chinese steamer, 350, Wong Ling Sing, 11th Dec.—Halifax, 27th Dec. Ballast—Chinese.
 TARTOS, German steamer, 1,388, C. Henschel, 12th Jan.—Sourabaya 30th Dec., Sugar—Hing Cheong Tye.
 VERONA, British steamer, 1,876, F. H. Seymour, 15th Jan.—Yokohama 10th Jan. Mails and General—P. & O. S. N. Co.

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes Co.'s steamer *Caledonia*, with the French mail of 26th ultimo, left Singapore on the 22nd instant at 10 a.m. and may be expected here on the 29th.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd Co.'s steamer *Bayern*, carrying the German mail dated Berlin the 23rd ultimo, left Singapore on the morning of the 19th instant and is due here on the 29th.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Belge*, with the American mail of 30th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 22nd instant at 5 p.m. and may be expected here on the 28th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Batavia*, with the Canadian mail from Vancouver, left Yokohama for Kobe, Nagasaki and Hongkong on the 17th instant.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Arratoon* *Aygar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 20th instant, and is due here on the 26th.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The E. & A. S. Co.'s steamer *Guthrie* left Port Darwin on the 12th instant and is expected here to-morrow.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenavon*, from New York, left Singapore on the 15th instant and is due here to-morrow.

HONGKONG-STEAMERS.

Continued.

WHAMPOA, British steamer, 1,100, Clegg, 3rd Jan.—Whampoa 3rd Jan. General—Butterfield & Swire.
 ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, A. W. R. Cobban, 18th Jan.—Manila 15th Jan. General—Russell & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ALTAIR, British bark, 309, Munro, 22nd Dec.—Cebu 4th Dec. Sugar, Hides and Bones—Wielor & Co.
 B. P. CHERNEY, American ship, 1,450, Humphreys, 20th Dec.—New York 15th July, Kerosene Oil—Russell & Co.

COLOMA, American bark, 814, Noyes, 1st Jan.—Portland 21st Oct. Lumber and Spars—Order.
 DOROTHE, British bark, 310, A. Broul, 21st Jan.—Laguianoc 14th Jan. Timber—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

ELMHURST, British ship, 1,712, John Mackenzie, 3rd Dec.—Cardiff 23rd July, Coal—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 EMLAKOWSK, Chinese bark, 457, Optum Eksman-don bark, Sincocutlers' Island—Chinese Customs.

JAPAN, Peruvian bark, 198, M. Janila, 17th Nov.—Callao (Peru) 30th August, General—Gonsalves & Co.
 JENNY, American schooner, 47, Baude, 9th Jan.—Yap 26th December, Beche-de-mer—Master.

JOHN BAILEY, American bark, 700, F. P. Shepherd, 8th Jan.—Whampoa 8th Jan. General—Master.
 LANDERSON, British bark, 1,370, J. W. Boyd, 9th Jan.—New York 11th July, Petroleum Oil—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LUCY A. NICKLES, American ship, 1,335, Chas. M. Nichols, 20th Jan.—Newcastle, Australia, 4th Dec. Coal—Order.
 MOBEY TAYLER, British bark, 1,298, Thos. E. Durken, 4th Jan.—Singapore 28th Oct. Timber—Order.

OMEGA, British bark, 480, A. Brown, 18th Jan.—Amoy 16th January, Ballast—Gonsalves & Co.
 SANTA CRUZ, British schooner, 920, D. D. O'Keefe, 20th Nov.—Pellew Islands 11th Nov. General—Wielor & Co.

SARA MERKES, Peruvian schooner, 245, A. Montalpin, 4th July—Saloon 27th June, Rice—Captain.
 SEBASTIAN BACH, British bark, 812, J. Jensen, 14th Jan.—Whampoa 13th Jan. General—Chinese.

ST. NICHOLAS, American ship, 1,723, F. Carver, 16th Nov.—New York 29th June, Kerosene Oil—Order.
 STERLING, American ship, 1,563, George N. Goodwin, 17th Jan.—New York 13th Aug. Kerosene Oil—Order.

VELOCITY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 25th Nov.—Honolulu 21st October, General—Chinese.

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A COMPETITION will be held on SATURDAY next, the 24th instant, at 2:30 P.M., when a Spoon will be shot for at each of the following ranges: 200, 500 and 600 yards, seven shots at each, the competitor making the highest aggregate at the three distances being also entitled to a Spoon. No competitor to take more than one distance spoon. Entrance Fee 30 cents.
 The SUBSCRIPTION HANDICAP CHALLENGE CUP and RANGE SPOONS will be also competed for: distances, 200 and 300 yards, seven shots at each. Any position. Entrance fee 30 cents.
 A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 2:15 P.M. to convey competitors.
 C. VIVIAN LADDS, Hon. Secretary.
 Hongkong, 19th January, 1891. [65]

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 Hongkong, 2nd December, 1890. [44]

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 Hongkong, 20th May, 1890. [42]

NOTICE.

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SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.
 In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersecretary is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.
 D. GILLIES, Secretary.
 Hongkong, 15th August, 1890. [15]

Intimations.

HONGKONG JUBILEE ATHLETIC SPORTS.

TO-MORROW, the 23rd January, 1890. TO TAKE PLACE ON THE RACE COURSE, Commencing Precisely at 1 o'clock p.m.

(By kind permission of Colonel CHATER and the Officers of the Regiment, the Band and Pipes of the 1st A. & S. Highlanders will play during the Afternoon.)

Patrons: His Excellency Sir GEORGE WILLIAM DES VEGUX, K.C.M.G.
 H.E. Major-General DIGBY BARKER.
 His Honour, Sir JAMES RUSSELL, K.C.M.G.
 Commodore EDMUND J. CHURCH, R.N.

Stewards: THE GENERAL COMMITTEE OF THE HONGKONG JUBILEE.

Judges: Lieut. E. G. YOUNG, R.E.
 C. H. THOMPSON, Esq.
 Clerks of the Course: Captain D. HENDERSON, 1st A. & S. H.
 Lieut. A. H. ANSON, R.N.

Starter: J. T. H. SAMPLE, Esq.
 Referee: Commander H. M. C. FESTING, R.N.

Time-keeper: JOHN GRANT, Esq.
 Honorary Secretary: R. K. LEIGH, Esq.

PROGRAMME.

1.—1 p.m.—PUTTING THE SHOT.—Open to all. Three tries to win: 16 lbs., 7 ft. run, no follow.

First Prize: Second.
 2.—1.15 p.m.—100 YARDS.—Open to the Navy.

First Prize: Second.
 3.—1.20 p.m.—100 YARDS.—Open to the Military.

First Prize: Second.
 4.—1.25 p.m.—100 YARDS.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 5.—1.45 p.m.—QUARTER MILE.—Open to the Navy.

First Prize: Second.
 6.—1.50 p.m.—QUARTER MILE.—Open to the Military.

First Prize: Second.
 7.—1.55 p.m.—QUARTER MILE.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 8.—2 p.m.—100 YARDS JUMP.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 9.—2.05 p.m.—HALF MILE.—Open to the Navy.

First Prize: Second.
 10.—2.15 p.m.—HALF MILE.—Open to the Military.

First Prize: Second.
 11.—2.25 p.m.—HALF MILE.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 12.—2.35 p.m.—HALF MILE.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 13.—2.45 p.m.—ONE MILE BICYCLE RACE.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 14.—3.00 p.m.—ONE MILE FLAT RACE.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 15.—3.15 p.m.—TUG OF WAR.—1st Heat. Navy Military, 10 men a side. All to be pulled over. No holes to be dug in the ground before pulling. No sitting down. To be decided by one pull.

16.—3.30 p.m.—TUG OF WAR.—2nd Heat. Navy Military, 10 men a side. All to be pulled over. No holes to be dug in the ground before pulling. No sitting down. To be decided by one pull.

17.—3.45 p.m.—100 YARDS CHAMPIONS.—Open to first and seconds in the 100 yards.

First Prize: Second.
 18.—3.50 p.m.—120 YARDS VETERANS RACE.—Open to all over 40 years of age.

First Prize: Second.
 19.—4.00 p.m.—120 YARDS HURDLE RACE.—Open to all, 10 flights.

First Prize: Second.
 20.—4.15 p.m.—HORSEPIE DANCE.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 21.—4.30 p.m.—HIGHLAND FLING.—Open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 22.—4.45 p.m.—QUARTER MILE CHAMPIONS.—Open to first and seconds in the Quarter Miles.

First Prize: Second.
 23.—5.00 p.m.—TUG-OF-WAR, FINAL.—Open to the two winning teams. Prizes for winning team.

Winners: 24.—5.15 p.m.—HALF MILE CHAMPIONS.—Open to first and seconds in the Half Miles.

First Prize: Second.
 25.—5.30 p.m.—SACK RACE.—100 Yards; open to all.

First Prize: Second.
 GOLD SAVE THE QUEEN!

RULES AND REGULATIONS.
 1.—Competitors must be on their marks at the time stated in the Programme or the race will be started without them.
 2.—Starting to be by report of pistol.
 3.—Any Competitors starting before the pistol to be put back 1 yard or more, at the discretion of the starter.
 4.—Four to start in each event or no race.
 5.—All Competitors to be clad from shoulder to knee. No sleeveless jerseys or short drawers allowed.
 6.—No entrance fees.
 7.—Post entries, but the names and addresses of all starters to be handed to the Hon. Secretary at the time of starting.
 8.—The decision of the Judges and Referee to be final.
 9.—The Committee reserve to themselves the right of changing the order and time of the events and of making any other alterations they may deem necessary.
 R. K. LEIGH, Hon. Secretary, Jubilee Sports Committee.
 Hongkong, 15th January, 1891. [149]

To be Let.

TO LET.

GODOWNS—BLUE BUILDINGS.
 Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.
 Hongkong, 24th December, 1890. [55]

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 Hongkong, 24th December, 1890. [44]

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 Also OFFICES—above Messrs. Douglas, Laprak & Co.'s Premises.
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 Hongkong, 16th December, 1890. [49]

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SITUATE on the Praya, opposite to the old P. & O. Wharf, comprising—22 Bed-rooms, Dining-room, Billiard-room, Bar, &c.
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 Hongkong, 16th December, 1890. [55]

KOWLOON.
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HEALTHY situated; ROOMY HOUSES with Bath-rooms complete, splendid view. Moderate Rent. Gas laid on.
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 Hongkong, 3rd January, 1891. [86]

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 No. 27, ELGIN STREET, behind the Old Union Church.
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 Hongkong, 9th January, 1891. [40]

TO BE LET.
 A FIVE ROOMED HOUSE No. 3, "Windmill Buildings," Wanchai Road (opposite Bakery).
 No. 7 (corner house facing East) and No. 6 (corner house facing West).
 RICHMOND TERRACE.—The former with Conservatory, and Tennis Lawn. Each House contains six good rooms and is pleasantly situated.
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 On favourable terms, with Immediate Possession.

EIGHT HOUSES at "Mountain View," Peak District, near Plunkett's Gap. If sold, part of the Purchase money can remain on Mortgage.
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TO BE LET, AT THE PEAK.
 ON reasonable terms, "CRAGIEBURN," containing Dining, Drawing, Reception Rooms, Offices and 20 Bed-rooms, with two Tennis-courts.
 Apply to the SECRETARY,
 Peak Hotel and Trading Co.
 Hongkong, 11th December, 1890. [28]

TO LET.
 NOS. 9 & 11, SEYMOUR TERRACE.
 ROOMS in College Chambers.
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 OFFICES in Chambers in Connaught House, Queen's Road Central.
 OFFICES in Victoria Buildings.
 TUSCULUM, MAGAZINE GAP.
 No. 3, GOUGH HILL, The Peak, Furnished.
 Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
 Hongkong, 7th January, 1891. [13]

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 2749.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1891.

SIX DOLLAR PER QUARTER

MARRIAGE.

On the 27th December, 1890, at All Saints' Church, Borella, Colombo, by His Grace the Archbishop of Colombo, JOHN JOSEPH FRANCIS, of Gray's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, Queen's Counsel, Hongkong, Knight of St. Gregory the Great, to ANNA MAGDALENE TERESA, the eldest daughter of Heinrich Julius Graf von Frankenstein-on-the-Maine.

DEATHS.

At Government Civil Hospital, on the 15th inst., H. L. MATHER, of Green Island, in his 62nd year.

On Sunday, the 18th inst., RUPERT HENRI HASTINGS, the beloved son of Thomas Henri and Phoebe Hastings Gilling, aged two years and five months. Deeply regretted.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1891.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE JUBILEE.

1841-1891.

"And at the time of her Council met
Who knew the season, when to take
Occasion by the hand, and make
The bounds of freedom wider yet."

An emblem laid upon her people's will
And compassed by the Invincible sea."

It was in the month of June of the year 1840 that a British squadron blockaded the Canton river, and another of Her Majesty's squadrons after taking the Chuen Islands, near Ningpo, came to anchor towards the end of the year and silenced the Begus forts. Shortly after these important events Captain Elliot, H. M. Plenipotentiary in China, issued the ever memorable proclamation wherein he announced the conclusion of preliminary arrangements between the Imperial Chinese Commissioner and himself involving the following conditions:-

"1.-The cession of the island and harbour of Hongkong to the British Crown. All just charges and duties to the empire upon the commerce carried on there to be paid as if the trade were conducted at Whampoa."

"2.-An indemnity to the British Government of six millions of dollars; one million payable at once, and the remainder in equal annual instalments ending in 1866."

"3.-Direct official intercourse between the countries upon equal footing."

"4.-The trade of the port of Canton to be opened within ten days after the Chinese New Year, and to be carried on at Whampoa till further arrangements are practicable at the new settlement."

"5.-Details remain matter of negotiation. The plenipotentiary seizes the earliest occasion to declare that Her Majesty's Government has sought for no privilege in China exclusively for the advantage of British ships and merchants, and he is only performing his duty in offering the protection of the British flag to the subjects, citizens, and ships of foreign Powers that may resort to Her Majesty's possession. Pending Her Majesty's further pleasure, there will be no port or other charges to the British Government."

"The plenipotentiary now permits himself to make a few general observations. The obligation of host and redressed injuries will follow naturally from the right feeling of the Queen's subjects, etc., etc."

The actual taking possession of the island is thus described by Commander Belcher, of H.M.S. *Sulphur*:-

"We landed on the 25th January, 1841, at fifteen minutes past 8 a.m., and being the first bona fide possessors Her Majesty's health was drunk on Possession Mount. The next day, 26th, the squadron arrived, the masts were hoisted, the Union Jack hoisted on the post, and had stuck up the day before, and formal possession of the island taken by Commodore Sir J. Gordon Bremer, accompanied by the officers of the squadron, under a *feu-de-joi* from the marines and a Royal salute from the ships of war."

The hoisting of the flag was followed three days later by the issue of another proclamation by Captain Elliot, which has already appeared in these columns, together with other authentic historical facts connected with the early history of this Colony. We refrain from wearying our readers with the reproduction of those records which our esteemed morning contemporary, the *Wing Lam* Street Oracle, has crammed its columns to-day, contenting ourselves with quoting the "declaration" by Captain Elliot, of the freedom of the port on the 7th of June, 1841, which is as follows:-

"It is hereby declared to the merchants and traders of Canton and all parts of the Empire, that they and their ships have free permission to resort to trade at the port of Hongkong, where they will receive full protection from the high officers of the British nation; and, Hongkong being of the Chinese Empire, neither will there be any charges on imports and exports payable to the British Government."

"And it is further clearly declared that there will be an immediate embargo upon the port of Canton and all the large ports of the Empire if there be the least obstruction to the freedom of Hongkong."

"Persons bringing information to the British officers which shall lead to detection of pirates will be liberally rewarded, and pirates will be taken and delivered over to be officers of the Chinese Government for punishment."

"Dated at Macao, the 7th day of June, 1841."

TO-DAY'S DOINGS.

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the cession of Hongkong as an appendage of the British Crown was commenced at 9.30 this morning (1st inst.) with a meeting of the

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS.

at which were present:- His Excellency Sir G. William Des Vaux, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, *ad-vice*; and Private Secretary, Major-General Digby Barker, R.E., Major-General Commanding the Staff, *ad-vice*; Mr. F. Fleming, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary; Mr. W. M. Deane, C.M.G., Captain Superintendent of Police; Mr. N. G. Mitchell-Jones, Colonial Treasurer; Mr. S. Brown, Surveyor-General; Mr. J. H. Stewart, Lockheart, Registrar-General; Mr. W. M. Goodman, Attorney-General; Messrs. T. H. Whitehead, C.P. Chester, J. J. Kerwick, Dr. Ho Kai (unofficial members) and Mr. J. F. Thomson, Clerk of Councils.

A number of ladies and gentlemen were also present at the meeting and were accommodated with seats at the side of the Council Chamber. His Excellency the Governor said that this being the first occasion of his appearance in public since his return to the Colony, he felt that he could not lose the opportunity of expressing the great pleasure and high appreciation he

felt respecting the administration of the affairs of the colony during his absence. He could not allow the opportunity to pass of saying how deeply he felt the very warm reception, the unprecedentedly warm reception he received from the community upon his arrival here recently. So deeply did he feel that it was difficult to express his gratification in language which would convey all he desired to say. This day was the fiftieth anniversary of the cession of the colony to Her Majesty the Queen. It afforded him much pleasure to announce that he had this morning received a congratulatory telegram from the Chairman (Mr. John Macgregor) of the Shanghai Municipal Council, acting on behalf of the residents of that flourishing Settlement, which read as follows:-

"His Excellency, The Governor of Hongkong. Shanghai Municipality congratulates Hongkong on the celebration of its Jubilee and offers hearty wishes for the continued prosperity of the Colony."

JOHN MACGREGOR, Chairman of Council.

He felt sure that he had the authority of all present to forward a reply to Shanghai reciprocating those good wishes in suitable terms, as follows:-

"John Macgregor, Chairman of the Municipal Council, Shanghai. The Governor, on behalf of the whole Colony of Hongkong, returns sincere thanks to the Municipality of Shanghai for its congratulatory message, and warmly reciprocating the kindly feeling which has prompted it, expresses the earnest hope that Shanghai, with which Hongkong is so intimately connected, may make even greater progress than heretofore in the path of civilisation and prosperity."

There was another object for which they were to-day assembled, namely, to pass a congratulatory telegram to Her Majesty. When it was intimated to him that such a message should be sent to Her Majesty he hoped that the community would forward to him a draft of their wishes on the subject. As that was not done and they expected him to do so he had taken the task on himself. He must say it was a task of great difficulty as he was still suffering from an illness which had afflicted him since his return.

His Excellency then read the message he had drafted for transmission to Her Majesty the Queen-Emperor, thus:-

TELEGRAM TO HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

"To the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty. Assembled at Victoria on Wednesday, 21st January, 1891, in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the cession of the Colony, We, the Governor and the Executive and Legislative Councils of Hongkong, humbly approach Your Majesty with renewed expression of our loyalty and devotion."

The people of the Colony, for the most part Your Majesty's subjects, join unanimously in grateful recognition of the wise policy of Your Majesty's Government which has granted the same rights and equal justice to all the numerous races of which they are composed; and they recognise as largely owing to the wisdom of Your Majesty's constitutional rule, the conditions under which, within a half century, this entire island has become the civilised centre of an enormous trade, the home of a large and prosperous community and an important outpost of Your Majesty's Empire."

On their behalf therefore as well as on our own, we fervently pray that God will long preserve the health of the Sovereign whose reign has been fraught with so many blessings, while we at the same time rejoice that for succeeding generations the name of Your Majesty, attached to this City, will ever serve to recall the memory of Your Majesty's life and example."

Signed on behalf of the Executive and Legislative Councils, with which is associated a committee specially appointed for the occasion and representatives of all present nationalities. G. WILLIAM DES VAUX, Governor."

His Excellency then formally moved "that the address as read be forwarded by cable to Her Majesty." Major-General Digby Barker seconded the motion which was carried by acclamation.

That concluded the proceedings in Council and His Excellency returned to Government House attended by Mr. Fleming, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, Major-General Barker, R.E., and aide-de-camp, Mr. F. H. May, Private Secretary, and the members of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

FROM GOVERNMENT HOUSE TO THE CATHEDRAL.

The police and other arrangements for securing order during the procession of His Excellency and suite from Government House to St. John's Cathedral were looked after by Assistant Captain Superintendent of Police Horspool and became very apparent, as the stream of vehicles carrying persons to the church was so numerous that had the usual traffic been continued, great confusion must have ensued. Order was perfectly preserved, however, and as each chair orrick was deposited its occupant, it was led to its appointed place and remained there. Shortly after 9 a.m. the grounds leading to the main entrance of the Cathedral were lined by the Police, whilst opposite the entrance in Garden Road the band and pipers and a company of the 1st A. S. Highlanders, under Lieut. Campbell, were drawn up as a guard of honour. The Hongkong Artillery, Vol. 1, under Captain A. McCallum, arrived shortly afterwards and lined the pathway along which the procession was to pass prior to entering the Cathedral. A large concourse of people had by this time assembled and watched with peculiar interest everybody connected with the arrangements, amongst whom Mr. Wodehouse, C.M.G., the energetic secretary of the Jubilee Committee, was specially conspicuous, being here, there and everywhere. At 9.50 His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Major-General Barker, R.E., Commandant of Military Forces in China, Mr. Francis Fleming, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary; W. M. Goodman, Attorney-General; W. M. Deane, Captain Superintendent of Police; Lieutenant Colonel Verrier-Chater, 1st A. S. Highlanders, together with the members of the Legislative and Executive Councils, arrived at the Cathedral. As the party drew near the band played "God save the Queen" and His Excellency, with uncovered head, and accompanied by Major-General Barker and Lieut. Verrier-Chater, passed through the lines. His Excellency and suite then entered the Cathedral, which by this time was crowded with a very international assemblage of Naval and military dignitaries and the general public. The church was very gaily and suitably decorated with flags and bunting, whilst in and around the nave evergreens and flowers gave the scene a most pleasing and refreshing appearance. The procession entered the Cathedral from the West end and filed up the centre of the building, halting in the nave and the Governor and members of the Legislative and Executive

Councils took the seats there reserved for them.

The service was conducted by the Right Reverend Bishop Budon and the Rev'd G. Tuvener, Acting Colonial Chaplain. The former delivered a very interesting address in the place of a sermon, from which we take the following extracts:-

BISHOP BUDON ON HONGKONG.

In one of the early debates in the House of Lords with reference to our occupation of Hongkong, one speaker pointed out-I forget the words but this was their substance-"that by raising a sort of English town on the side of this mountain island, we should be presenting a model for imitation by the Chinese in their own land." But China's genius, for the present at least, does not lie in road-making or drain-making, or even in seeing the necessity for providing light and air in their dwellings; and hence the aspiration expressed by the noble lord has thus far not been realized. But he was on the right track, nevertheless, when he suggested that a bit of English civilisation should be planted here, which might provide lessons for the Chinese as to the value of the time. There are parts of that civilisation, not actually physical, and yet leading to physical benefit, which it would have been well if we had introduced from the commencement, and which it is not too late to introduce even yet. One of the most noticeable in England by foreigners, not elsewhere, is the English SUNDAY REST.

There can be no doubt of the benefit of one day of rest. We have only to look at the Chinese to see the evil of the utter lack of it. Strong and patient in labour as the Chinese are, they have neither the healthy, mental, or physical tone of our own people. Other causes are of course at work, but this of unremitting toil, so far as the labouring classes are concerned, has set its mark on their faces and their minds. Should we in this Christian colony, where the Chinese as a rule are in far happier circumstances than in their own country, allow the same unremitting toil to continue. Is there no possible way out of the difficulty? I cannot believe it. China is not a country much given to imitation, but there is no telling what effect would have been produced if from the first the Sunday rest had been established here for all ashore and afloat. It would at all events have been a striking proof to the Chinese, from Canton to Peking, that there was a care for something other than buying and selling, and it would probably have had more effect on the nation than all the public works put together. The Chinese here who are relieved from work on the Sunday evidently enjoy the rest, and there must be many among them who do so. Some of our own people, too, might be debarred by which this essential feature of English civilisation could at last be established here, for the good of many of our own people as well as for that of the Chinese. *Union of all will do it*, and by doing it we will be setting an example of English civilisation that will tell for good on far more than the immediately affected.

Jubilee comes and goes, leaving behind them the lesson for all-"No man liveth to himself." Our Jubilee would be no cause of rejoicing, if it contained no record of good work done. All life's duties honestly attempted, some good actually accomplished, won though it may be out of our very mistakes and failures-these are the things that will live, and will be the right thing to do. We are to live, not for self but for others. Across the wide reach of nearly five and thirty years I seem often to hear the echo of Lord Elgin's words, when he was addressing these merchants of Shanghai, reminding them that the responsibility of those who 'have a faith that reaches to Heaven' is vastly higher than that of those 'whose faith does not rise higher than the Earth.' In our life, commercial, social, personal, with such a faith as ours, we all can, if we will, successfully fulfil life's battles better, do life's duties, and at length win life's crown in an eternal Jubilee.

The reverend gentleman then resumed his seat and the congregation dispersed after singing a hymn.

After the service the Governor returned to Government House attended by the Colonial Secretary, Major-General Barker, Mr. F. H. May, Private Secretary, and others.

ROYAL SALUTE.

A Royal Salute of 50 guns was fired from the men-of-war and the shore battery, at noon, the Volunteers also joining in the salute.

DOINGS AT THE PARADE CLUB.

In response to the invitation of the Trustees of the Parate Charity Funds, most of the members of that community attended the special prayer and thanksgiving ceremony which took place this morning in the Parate Club House, Shelley Street, which building was neatly decorated for the occasion with festoons of evergreens and flowers. Mr. H. N. Mody, the worthy chairman of the Trustees, was prevented from attending owing to indisposition but he was communicated to the meeting through Mr. M. P. Dhalla, the secretary, that he sincerely and fully participated in the sentiments of gratitude, loyalty, reverence and praise which are inspired by the auspicious occasion. Thanks and prayers were offered to the Great God for the infinite goodness in the vouchsafing to this colony the invaluable blessings of peace, plenty, prosperity and success, and fervent prayers were offered to Him to guard and protect the Colony and promote its welfare and prosperity for ever. Before the meeting closed Mr. Dhalla, the secretary, on behalf of the Trustees requested those present to give some donations to the "Victoria Jubilee Parate Charity Fund" which was inaugurated in June, 1887, to commemorate the Jubilee of their most Gracious Queen, which appeal was readily responded to.

NAVAL AND MILITARY REVIEW.

We are requested by the Honorary Secretary to the Jubilee Committee (Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, C.M.G.) to state that a Review of the Naval and Land Forces will be held on Thursday afternoon (22nd inst.) in the Wong-nei-chong Valley, at which His Excellency the Governor will be present in state. The Hongkong Volunteers will take part in the Review. The whole of the Racecourse will be thrown open to the public, the proceedings taking place in the inner circle. The saluting post will be at a point some distance beyond the Grand Stand, which is open to the public for the occasion. A certain number of seats will be arranged on the Racecourse for the use of the ladies. No tickets or invitations are required. Arrangements have been made for taking a photograph of the scene, which will be unusually interesting owing to the number of troops on the field and the occasion of the review. The Forces will be formed in line at 3.15 p.m., facing west, in the following order:-

A Field Battery, Royal Navy.

The Hongkong Volunteer Artillery.

A Battalion of Seamen of the Royal Navy.

A Battalion of Royal Marines.

The 1st Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

(The Royal Artillery.

The Royal Engineers.

The Asiatic Artillery.

The Field Battery of Asiatic Artillery.

His Excellency the Major-General Commanding will be received with a general salute at 3 o'clock.

His Excellency the Governor will arrive in state at 3.30 p.m. and will be received with a salute.

Their Excellencies the Governor and the Major-General will inspect the lines.

The Regimental Colours will be trooped by the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

The Battalions will fire a *feu-de-joi*, each volley being preceded by 7 guns from the batteries on right and left alternately.

A Royal salute will be given, followed by three cheers for Her Majesty the Queen; the Sovereign of the Colony.

The Force will march past in column.

The Battalions will then march past in mass of quarter columns.

The Force will march past-the guns in line of batteries, the battalions in line of quarter columns.

The Force will reform on the original base-battalions in line of quarter columns, the guns in line of batteries on the flanks as before.

The Force will advance in Review order and salute.

FOOTBALL.

THE CLUB V. H. & S. BANK-PAST AND PRESENT.

A correspondent has kindly forwarded us the following account of this match which was played under Association rules at the Racecourse on Monday afternoon last. Play commenced at 4.30 and for a few minutes the ball was kept within a few yards of the Bank goal, but after a lot of give and take play a corner kick fell to the Club. Nothing came of this and Dow for the Bank got the ball away well up the ground but was checked by the Club backs. After some steady play on the part of the Club forwards the ball was again brought down in close vicinity to the Bank goal, where some loose shooting alone prevented the Club from scoring. Half-time was now called without either side having scored. On the kick off, by dint of some good combined play, the Club forwards worked the ball up the ground, and after a pass from Atkinson, Vigonies with a well-judged shot scored the first and as it turned out, the only goal of the match. The Bank team then played up and some very good work was put in by Dow, who all through the match worked very hard. The Club backs were not so good, however, and again the ball was sent up amongst their forwards, when Vigonies attacked but just missed scoring by striking the upright. After the kick off Dow managed, with the same close play near the Bank goal, to get clear, and made a good run down the ground to within a few feet of the Club goal, where his shot went wide by about two feet. Shortly after this, time was called and terminated a fast and even game. The play of Vigonies, Atkinson, and Lewis for the Club is deserving of mention, as also is that of Dow, Wallace, and Sharpe, for the Bank. There is no doubt that, with a little more practice and combination play on the part of the latter's forwards, on a future meeting of these teams a reversal of the result of Monday's Match may be looked for.

The teams chosen were as follows:-

For the Club. H. W. Slide, J. M. M. Machado, H. Marshall, E. Esckiel, J. M. Atkinson, A. N. Other, W. V. Anderson, F. C. Vigonies, A. H. Ough, F. Lewis, L. Hallward.

For the Bank. D. H. Mackintosh, J. M. Dow, A. Sharp, W. K. Low, F. Carvalho, E. C. Fearon, F. T. Simpson, J. A. Remedios, W. H. Wallace, A. G. Stephen, R. Trellian.

THE CRICKET MATCH AT SINGAPORE.

The Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. K. Travers) has kindly forwarded us the account of the recent cricket match, Hongkong v. Singapore, played on the 9th and 10th inst.

SINGAPORE CRICKET CLUB.

First Innings. W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

Second Innings. W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

First Innings. W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

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BOWLING ANALYSIS.

First Innings. W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

Second Innings. W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

THE "NAMO" PIRACY.

Chun Fui, and Cheong Ng were charged with being connected with piracy on board the steamer *Namo* on the 10th December.

Captain Saunders, marine surveyor, Foochow, said he was a passenger on board the steamer *Namo* on the 10th December. After given a detailed account of the commencement of the attack, which has been previously reported, he said he was fired at as he was ascending the companion. He immediately ran back and got into the hold, and remained there forty minutes. Some Chinese afterwards came down and asked him to go up into the Captain's room and his life would be spared. He consented and was locked up in the cabin, together with nine others. He looked through the ventilator and saw the second prisoner, who said that the company on the mainboard side. He observed

nised him by his clothing and teeth, as he was yawning at the time. The prisoner was one of those on guard and had a revolver in his hand and another in his belt, together with a cut-throat razor. The prisoner was one of those on guard. The case was afterwards adjourned.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The French flag-ship *Triomphante* arrived at Shanghai on the 15th inst. from Japan.

(The staff of Lord Li, the new Chinese Minister at the Court of the Mikado, there is a foreign adviser of a neutral country (Switzerland), and a native Englishman who has studied law in England, having been called to the Bar of the late Temple, London.

LI HAN-CHIANG, Governor-General of the Two Kuang, and Kuang Ying, "Hopoo" of Canton, have together reported the despatch of the 10,000 to the Board of Revenue and Imperial Household. This amount has been borrowed from Foreign merchants.

Mr. COUMANN, the Russian Minister to China, arrived at St. Petersburg from Peking last month. The *St. Petersburg Zeitung* states that he is the bearer of a communication from the Chinese Government, assenting to the opening of the province of Shensi to Russian trade, and the establishment of Russian Consulates at Lanchow and Si-an-fu. The journal, in commenting upon these concessions, regards them as of great importance for Russian commerce.

The future of the Goldfields of Siam, says the *Financial News*, will be watched with considerable interest. According to the statement of the chairman at the last meeting, the estimates of the precious metal in the river on the company's property "had gone as high as from £15,000,000 to £20,000,000 sterling." This may be a long way over the mark; but one-tenth or one-twentieth of it would make Siam Gold shares capital prizes in the great mining lottery.

Mr. C. F. WOODWARD in the *Mercury* that the total receipts of the recent assault on arms for the benefit of the widows and orphans of those lost in the *Serpent*, amounted to £1,012.50. from which £222.30 have been deducted for expenses, leaving a balance to the good of £790.11. A cheque for £138. 10s. 6d., the equivalent of the proceeds in sterling, has been remitted to the Secretary of the *Serpent* Widows and Orphans Relief Fund, Admiralty House, Devonport. This rather "daps" Hongkong.

THIS (18th inst.) Capt. Saunders, of Foochow, who was a passenger on board the *Namo* at the time of the attack, again attended the trial to identify any of the pirates from a number of old "goat birds" who were paraded before Mr. A. G. Wise. Without any hesitation the Captain picked out the same man he did yesterday and swore as to the prisoner's identity. The Chinaman, whose name is Cheung Fai, is at present in goal on an option of bail, but has not yet been identified as a pirate, except by Capt. Saunders.

COMMENTING on the results of "Cricket fortnight" the *Strait Times* says:-"We of the Straits are rejoiced that we have successfully welcomed, played, and entertained the selected cricketers of the two great Crown Colonies, and we are our nearest English neighbours, and we are perhaps the more rejoiced because, as fortune has it, the balance of advantage in the game has been much in our favour. Our visitors from Ceylon and from Hongkong on the other hand, have each scored sufficient of success to let it be seen that all the Colonies are fairly well matched in England's national game."

TELEGRAPHIC news was received at Nagasaki on Monday afternoon, the 12th inst., of the stranding of H.M.S. *Pigmy* at Onomichi, in the Northern Passage of the Inland Sea, whilst en route for Nagasaki port on her way to Shanghai.

Information received on the 13th, also by telegram, stated that she had been got off again, and from what we (*Nagasaki Express*) can learn, she had been ashore on Kosaki-shima, and not at Onomichi, as that place is quite out of the track of ships coming through the Sea. Onomichi, we believe, the name of the place where the nearest telegraph station is situated, hence the mistake. Whether the *Pigmy* has sustained any damage, or not, we cannot say, but the probabilities are that she has not. The *Pigmy* was expected at Nagasaki on the 15th inst.

MR. ROCKHILL, who was U. S. Secretary of Legation at Peking, and has been travelling in Thibet, has been writing an account of his travels in the *Century Magazine*, and he begins the story of his travels with the following incident:-

"One day, in 1886," he says, "while I was Secretary of the United States Legation at Peking, I took to the Minister a despatch for the Secretary of the Ministry of the Interior to endorse it favourably. It was a despatch for an eight months' leave of absence, without pay, to travel in Western China and Thibet. The Minister read it over, and turning to me, said: 'I cannot give my approval to this. If you absent yourself from the Legation I must have some one to take your place and do your work. But I tell you what I will do: since you are so anxious to see Thibet, I will use my influence at Washington to have you appointed Minister-Resident and Consul-General there. I will immediately advise him to endorse it favourably. I will do what I can for you. But I make no difference. I'll do what I said. What better illustration could I give of the ignorance in which we are concerning Thibet? The Minister of the United States to China did not know that it was an integral part of the Empire to the Court of which he was accredited!'"

We are indebted to the Hon. Secretary (Mr. A. K. Travers) for the following particulars of the Hongkong v. Singapore match, which, owing to the files of papers containing the news having been put on board some slow coaster, we are not yet in receipt of. Hongkong made 170 in first innings, to which Bank contributed 40. Lawson, 25, Campbell, 24, Smith, 24. Both Bank and Lawson were well caught out by Horsby at long-on. Singapore were 23 behind in first innings, and on going to the second time were silenced by the deadly bowling of Lawson and Barff for 15 runs! The latter securing 7 wickets for 5 runs. The Batting Averages of the Hongkong Eleven are:-

W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

Second Innings. W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

Batting Averages of the Singapore Eleven are:-

W. L. Carter, 10; L. Brown, 10; J. M. M. Machado, 10; H. Marshall, 10; E. Esckiel, 10; J. M. Atkinson, 10; A. N. Other, 10; W. V. Anderson, 10; F. C. Vigonies, 10; A. H. Ough, 10; F. Lewis, 10; L. Hallward, 10.

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Second Innings. W. L. Carter

CRICKETING AT SINGAPORE.

Our ubiquitous office goat still continues to keep an eye on the cricketers at Singapore, so daily manages to pick up items for his diary, the gist of which runs as follows:—

(1) 30th Dec. After tragic landing sent men off to their different homes. Dinner sat out at Colombo (who arrived 6 hours after Hongkong), and representative. Of course the two clowns were seated together. Dinner good, Stringer, Vanderpar and Swettenham made short, odd speeches. Considerable confusion ruled *comique*, where the crash of bottles and broken glasses denoted they were on the job. Billiards after dinner. Cleared every one before 11 p.m. The Taster afterwards had ventures and losses and was not seen again till the following morning.

(2) 31st Dec. The following are the orders for the day:

(a) The Team will parade at 6 a.m. for exercise in the Cricket Ground, Tanglin.

(b) Parade at 11 a.m. to march to the Cricket Ground to view the natives—light marching band.

(c) The C.O. congratulates the Team on the excellent appearance they presented on disbandment (notwithstanding a trying and strenuous voyage discipline has triumphed).

(d) Below the mentioned men are detailed to go off and win the following events at the Native Sports on January 1st.

(e) Eating Ships Biscuits.

(f) Sister Ann visits to the natives.

(g) Treacle dipping for dollars.—The N. M. N. Growl.

(h) Rikicks Race.

(i) Taster & P. Blobs.

(j) The Ladies' Cup.—The Longan.

(k) There will be a Requiem Mass—otherwise known as a Wake—for our departed Comrades steamer *Thames*, in the Bar of the Pavilion at 11 a.m.

By Order,
TASTER,
Act. Adj.

By the kindness of Colonel Ellis and Officers of the 88th, the team practiced on the Regimental ground, this mornning. Very hot, and men generally recognise that cricket is a different game here from cricket in Hongkong. The Straits States played Colombo. Colombo made a tremendous hit. Some of our men paid a visit to the *Thames*—everybody left on board being sorry to part with the rowdy portion of the crew. One, fair, damned well was with difficulty persuaded to allow one of our good fellows to come ashore. After parting, Taster & P. Blobs astonished the natives by coming back to town on the top of a gharry—Blobs doing driver and Taster the funkey. They drove thus—with Sister Ann inside as the lady—all round the ground. Team present at Regimental Ball at Tanglin where "Steelbacks" entertained the whole of Singapore in a right royal manner. Most of us saw New Year in January 1st, 1901. The following is what we did for the day:—

(1) During the stay of the team in Singapore Sister Ann is deputed to report, say cases of cruelty to animals which may come under her notice.

(2) Members are reminded that the New Sports (Land and Sea) take place this day. Committee have placed a ship at the disposal of the team.

(3) A Straits Court Martial will be held on Blobs, charged under Section 11, para. Army Act 1891, with driving furiously without license. President—the Sepoy. The Officer and all witnesses are hereby ordered to appear.

(4) Owing to the serious indisposition of Peter, who is detained during His Majesty's absence, Bootmiership is appointed Acting Taster for further orders.

The C.O. takes this opportunity of wishing all the members of the team a Happy New Year.

By order,
BOOMERSHINE,
Act. Adj.

Practice again in morning at Tanglin. Most men in good form. The weak ones are Dunn (Rheumatism) Campbell (limited finger) and Lawson (who got knocked out at practice yesterday). Several of Team expressed sports—native boxing good fun. Dunbo managed to draw with Native States. An order to go to bed early.

January 2nd.—Orders of the Day.

The following members of the Team will be at 10.45 at the Cricket Pavilion to attack the Straits Team:—Captain Blair-Eye (in uniform), Sister Ann, Boomershin, P. Blobs, Sergeant, The Lord of the Loam, Sir Rowland Transports, The N.M. N. Growl, and the Corporal. The commissariat will be under charge of Taster-Sergeant Clarke, who will intend the firing.

The Team will parade at 9 p.m. for athletics (or graceful bodily exercises) at the Athletic Club—no entertainments please.

The C.O. regrets to hear that the Long continues to practice American Plantation—such conduct can only end in disaster!!

P. Blobs was acquitted by the Court today, and in consideration of his having successfully absconded, Taster, from a Government Institution is hereby granted good conduct at the rate of one cent per diem.

The C.O. appoints Peter Blobs, Acting Taster (without pay), in acknowledgement of mentioned services.

By order,
P. BLOBS,
Act. Adj.

Practice began at 11 a.m. practically. Splendid play for our men. Tabbat saved the Straits men some lively hitting. Very hot day, remarks were left to some of the players themselves, broke down in hitting. After drawing up the two dailies gave another pantomime. The Club gave good—men again ordered to go to bed early.

January 3rd.—Orders of the Day.

The team will wear half-mourning until further orders.

The C.O. regrets to announce the serious indisposition of Taster since yesterday's performance. The rest of the Team continue to enjoy good health (Betts is a hero on Straths).

The N. M. N. Growl is congratulated on steady play of yesterday.

By order,
PETER BLOBS,
Act. Adj.

It is a day of disgrace. Our men could do no more—knocked up by yesterday's sun. It seems early we had no chance. Dunn played very jauntily. Blobs made speech after tea, and general pantomime took place on the field afterwards. Singapore shows a tendency to divide the two classes in their mind. Good hit given in evening—rather too high class. Concert Lawson and Barrow are heralded as winners—the former got up splendidly applauded by the audience and the latter appeared to the pleasure of the ladies. These gentlemen kept the position of kings for over an hour. The concert the success it was. Black and made song. Our boys are in a most awkward condition. Concert broke up at a.m.

January 4th.—Team lay off all day.

Reckless Regimental Band in attendance,

LEAVES FROM THE OFFICE-
GOAT'S DIARY AT SINGAPORE.

5th January.

Detachment Orders by Captain Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team (which made such a "bouch" of it on Friday and Saturday) will parade at 10.45 a.m. to attack the Ceylon Contingent—even odds.

(2)—The C. O. wishes the Team to wear Sackcloth until the disgrace of last week is expunged.

(3)—The C. O. regrets to announce that Taster has been at it again; a horse having been seen early on Sunday morning containing his corpse and a few pictures (supposed to have been) purloined from the Town Hall after a recent concert) on the Cathedral Green.

(4)—The C. O. deposes Taster and P. Blobs to represent the Team in the Tennis Match against the "Straights" to-morrow, at 5 p.m. The team is requested to put no money on.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Memo: There will be a collection after the Tennis Match for Taster to aid him in purchasing a new hat in place of one accidentally lost upon by P. Blobs yesterday in Church.

Men turned up fairly sharp to-day. Sun very hot again. Blair won toss. Our men bat on hard bumpy wicket; rain came on in middle of Ceylon innings and finally stopped game. Dunn did best to-day—Barff and Lawson doing all bowling. Most of team present at Mess Dinner of 5th—after which the Steelback Niggers performed. The team quiet.

6th January.

Detachment Orders by Capt. Blair-Eye.

(1)—The team will parade at 10.15 a.m. sharp to continue the match Hongkong v. Colombo.

(2)—Sister Ann is cautioned against climbing lamp-posts.

(3)—A State carriage has kindly been placed at the disposal of the team this afternoon; those wishing to avail themselves of this luxury will kindly notify the Long 'Un as the accommodation is limited. None but good characters need apply.

(4)—Boomerhine is promoted "Standard Bearer" for good fielding.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Wicket wretched to-day and got worse and worse as the day went on. In spite of Barrows' violent gesticulations, things went against our men and another bad defeat is put on record. Spirits of men have to be kept up. Team at Government House Ball. Sir Cecil and Lady Clement Smith very kind—but a lack of "go" noticeable. The energies of Team still flagging. The Tennis match did not come off this afternoon owing to the bad weather.

7th January.

Detachment Orders by Capt. Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade at 5.15 p.m. to-morrow to witness the "Straights" getting a thrashing at "Long Tennis."

(2)—The members are requested to be very civil to Taster, who shows signs of exceeding after yesterday's further degradation.

(3)—The C. O. is gratified to learn that Peter Blobs and Taster were actually drinking Beef Tea at a recent dance. As yet no ill effects are visible.

(4)—Transports is requested to call at the Ordinary Room to receive a massive medal in Leather and a Sawdust Bat.

(5)—Boomerhine is progressing favourably. No further bulletins will be issued.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Team entertained with tiffin at Club by Major McCallum. Good "chow"—good drink—good appetites—good thrills. After cricket the H. K. men won first victory. First pulled over Straits in Tug-of-war, although fully 4 stones lighter than opponents. Then pulled over Colombo, who were also heavier. Blobs and Taster give another exhibition—doing considerable damage all round. Tangle Tangle invaded later on. No one arrested.

8th January.

Detachment Orders by Capt. Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade at 5 p.m. on the Esplanade when Taster and P. Blobs will give a lesson in that noble game yelped "Long Tennis." The Orphans will please play Straits.

(2)—The C. O. congratulates the team on their sagacious handling of the Large Cord last evening.

(3)—Members are requested to keep themselves F.P.P. for to-morrow, when the Team will play the S. C. C. (Betting 2 to 1 on our Houts).

(4)—The following telegram is published for information:—

"Travers to Taster.

Hongkong, Thursday 11 A.M.

Twelve "Is"—believe—"Medals voted Team—my congratulations. Festivities delayed till your return."

(5)—The President (Mr. Stricker), Mr. Birch, and Mr. Hornby are invited to consider themselves for all time Honorary Members of the Team.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Splendid weather. Team had little to do in morning. Straits gave Colombo good thrashing. P. Blobs and Taster helped by being "unlucky" and "greedy" Peter. At 5 p.m. P. Blobs (dressed as howling Nigger) handling the ribbons, and Taster (as a Quaker Parson) acting as page drove, on to the ground—E. W. Birch (as Jimmie) and Gahagan (as a black gentleman of Singapore) occupying the interior of the coach, which was decorated with two huge posters "Virtue Rewarded" and "Vagabonds Removed." Tennis resulted in good except but no one was left at the finish except Blobs, who cleared ground with boxing gloves. Tremendous crowd present. Tangle Tangle once more besieged and yet not arrested.

9th January.

Detachment Orders by Captain Blair-Eye.

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(2)—The team will parade to their Sunday clothes and best manners at 9 p.m. in the Town Hall for Calisthenics.

(3)—Memo: (a) P. Blobs and Taster are commended for their graceful deportment at Long Tennis.

(4)—Members of the team are earnestly requested not to purloin any public property this evening—drink and be merry, but carry nothing home in your boots.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Match against Singapore commenced at 11 a.m. Our men played very badly. Campbell, Lawson, Smith and Barff made up in batting and left off only three behind with three wickets to fall. Lawson had biggest hit on ground. Barff hit very hard. Smith ran very fast. Ball at Town Hall a great success—not too much "row" but just "row" enough. A few gentlemen only mistook "garras" for rickshaws.

10th January.

Detachment Orders by Captain Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade at 10.15 a.m. to return to the attack on O. H.—(Betting now level).

(2)—The Team will parade at 9.30 p.m. for music and dancing at the York's town house.

(3)—A slight elevation of spirits will be overlooked this night—"Night out" at 4 a.m.

(4)—The Team will parade to-morrow morning at 8 a.m. to fix the exact position of Singapore—to enable them later on to take the Horizon at Johore.

N.B. Stretchers may be ordered for 5 p.m.—early application is requested as the demand is expected to exceed the supply.

(5)—The C. O. trusts that every man this day will do his duty.

N.B. Lost, at the Ball last evening, a Ladies' Brooch representing a horse shoe with two nails in pearls and diamonds.

N.B. At the Ball, the last remaining dollar of Blobs.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

This has been a better day for Hongkong. H. K. led by 23 runs on first innings. Barrow attacked Team before second innings and said if we lost this match the Team would be bankrupt. Barff bowled magnificently, well backed up by Lawson; and 17 was all the Singaporeans could get. Barrow's war whoops as each wicket tumbled were a treat to hear. The "At Home" in the evening was a great success and the gallant Steelback entertained got a great reception only a few *gharras* were smashed and one Chinaman hurt. The destruction of property only amounted to two chandeliers and a few dozen of tumblers.

11th January.

Pleats to Johore. Lawson turned up first with an advertisement board for his luggage.

The "Clear Water Dairy"—followed a few minutes later by Barrow got up as a Mussulman, and brought the audience in a most-practical demonstration of capacities. Fairly fine. Malay piper good. On way back tried Sister Ann by Court martial for stealing a Barrow—Judge Lawson, prosecuting counsel: Capt. Collinson—Clerk of Court; Counsel for Defence: Hornby and Gahagan. Evidence not sufficient to convict owing to the A.B.C. not providing for such a case. Stuck on mudback for four hours—everybody sang themselves speechless. Got home at 1 a.m.—splendid entertainment on board for the longer man.

12th January.

Detachment Orders by Capt. Blair-Eye.

(1)—The C. O. congratulates the Team on their resuscitation to life—the Indians to spare will be held by auction to-morrow afternoon.

(2)—The Team will be "Wheelbarrow" out by the "Peshawar" at 4 p.m. to-morrow punctually.

(3)—The C. O. hopes that on this occasion no stretchers will be required, as last impressions are as difficult to remove as first ones.

(4)—The C. O. has pleasure in announcing that it was the elevation of spirits which alone took the "Mercury" off the sand bank yesterday.

(5)—A reward will be offered to any one who gives information as to the whereabouts of Taster and Peter Blobs, who have again mysteriously disappeared.

(6)—The C. O. reminds the Team that they are expected to answer to their names at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

(7)—The C. O. takes this opportunity of thanking the Team for their excellent behaviour at the entertainment so hospitably provided by the "Little Maria" of Johore on behalf of H. H. the Sultan (unavoidably absent).

Memo:—The C. O. grieves to hear that the B. A. B. Piper cannot accept Joan's liberal offer of employment in a Heclaand Regiment further North.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Lost—A nocturnal garment (the property of Taster's Host). Last seen in an Eastern street. Also an iron con advertisement abstracted by Blobs in broad daylight yesterday.

At early parade most of men absent. Match Straits v. Colombo & Hongkong continued. Dunn did very well—batting with all his old freedom. Dinner at night a great success. Governor made two fine speeches. Blair also very good. Adjourned to smoking concert upstairs. Noise commenced when the Hongkong David & Jonathan came in about eleven o'clock. This pair gave rather an indistinct performance, after which they buried the remains of the H. K. Team in the hall—only breaking a dozen flower pots to procure the earth. The Sultan of Johore having his heard pulled about. After this attention was drawn to the change of hue which the elephant in front of building had undergone. The painting was sublime and the exact placing of the spots showed considerable knowledge. After this an Eastern Street was invaded and wrecked, so I hear. Altogether this has been an exciting twelve hours. Forget to mention Lady Clement Smith gave an "at home" in afternoon.

13th January.

Detachment Orders by Capt. Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade at 10 a.m. to wander round the town and sunset.

(2)—Embarkation is postponed till to-morrow.

(3)—Captain Blair-Eye promotes himself to the rank of Major for distinguished service in the field.

(4)—Boomerhine is reduced to the ranks—having been found guilty of conduct unbecoming a member of the Hongkong Team in that he was grossly temperate while under fire.

(5)—Sister Anne is appointed schoolmistress—with effect from 14th January.

(6)—The Team will parade at midnight in Worcester Stables for a round of visits to their own particular friends. The "Cease-Fire" will be sounded at 6 a.m.; any one found in bed before this hour will be excommunicated.

Memo:—Lost Two paint pots with brushes complete, in the neighbourhood of the Town Hall yesterday evening.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Everyone getting ready for leaving. Tonight some of our men with a few of the Brave Boys of the Steelbacks went a round and successfully "drew" some of the most sedate men in Singapore. There are rumours of another painting exhibition—the victim being a well-known, but objectionable, limb of the law. Very few went to bed but were consoled with.

14th January.

Detachment Orders by Major Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade at 6 a.m. for inspection prior to embarkation, which will take place at 8 a.m. It is strictly forbidden to carry spirits or matches on board. Medical comforts will be dispensed in the First Class Smoking Room to our Singapore friends after which there will be "Banquet in the Air."

(2)—The Team will go to bed at 10 a.m.

(3)—The C. O. has pleasure in announcing that the New Attack Formation proved most successful; 39 of our enemies in seven strongholds being drawn between midnight and 5.30 a.m., and in no single case did the Waits fail to obtain food and drink.

(4)—During the voyage, and until further orders, the team will parade for dinner at 6.30 p.m. in washed faces and black coats.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

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All Singapore down to see us off. In Smoking Room Lower prepared our entertainers' health to which Mr. Stricker replied. After saying good-bye the banana fight came off—rather in favour of Singapore as we were short of ammunition. Barrow did some effective service, also Dunn, Blair & d. Barff—most of team asleep all day, weather getting rough, early turn-in.

19th January.

Detachment Orders by Major Blair-Eye.

(1)—The team will parade at 6 a.m. for antics on the horizontal bar and otherwise.

(2)—The position of the ship will be fixed at 11.45 a.m. At 4 p.m. the horizon will be taken with Brevitas.

(3)—The following is published for general information:—

To P. Blobs the Bellios medal has been awarded by the community of Hongkong for the best scenic effect in oil.

On Taster and Peter Blobs the order of the Speckled Elephant of Siam has been conferred by the Municipality of Singapore.

(4)—There will be a choir practice in the Music Hall at 8.30 a.m. Chorus:—

(a) "See the Conquering Heroine come"

(b) "The Jingles come marching home again (loaded with headaches)."

By order, TASTER, Adj.

The weather has been much rougher to-day and Sister Ann and the New Growth have gone under. The following letter from Mr. Swettenham to P. Blobs was published to-day:

Singapore Club,

January 8th, 1890.

MY DEAR BLOBS—I have just heard that a subscription list is being circulated in Hongkong inviting funds for the erection in the Happy Valley of a substantial Monument to the memory of Hongkong Cricket. Died in Singapore on or about New Year 1891. Some of your men might like to subscribe, and while you furnish the design—Skull and Crossbones not suitable—Taster could write a suitable epitaph. I think if you tour in future as Christy-Ministris you will have a great success. I understand the Hongkong Cricket ground is to be devoted to a home for lost dogs.

Yours Sincerely,

F. A. SWETTENHAM.

P.S.—If you would like to see me I am sorry I cannot be able to oblige you as I am leaving Singapore in five minutes, but Mr. H. L. Talbot, who owns you something for a crushed hat, has undertaken to oblige you in any legitimate way.

16th January.

Detachment Orders by Major Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade for "High Jinks" at 6 a.m.

(2)—The Team will parade at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. to correct the composition of Taster and Peter Blobs' masterpieces in the Glimpse.

(3)—In return for his valuable services during the last fortnight the Long 'Un is appointed attendant in the D-lirum Ward.

(4)—A Medical Board will assemble at 11 a.m. to report on the state of health of Sister Ann and the N. M. New Growth.

(5)—The members of the Team are reminded that the second class saloon is for the accommodation of second class passengers only and that if it is contents are under the sole charge of a talented officer. They will therefore not intrude in future.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Several men got up to-day only to go to bed again. The sea has been very rough all day and the attendance at dinner this evening was very small. There is no excitement on board owing to the weather and scarcity of passengers. A second letter from Swettenham to Blobs was published to-day as follows:—

British Residency,

Perak,

January 9th, 1891.

MY DEAR BLOBS—It distresses me to think that even now you may be wandering from the path of virtue with no safe guide to advise you; for the rest of your poor friends are but broken reeds, and it is useless to consult the Taster in a case of moral indignation. Appeal to some sympathetic female heart and I shall feel you are safe. I don't think I shall be able to write you any more letters, but I am very anxious about you and if you really decide to return to Hongkong I advise you to give to the Captain of the *Perak* that \$300 which was brought down for a purpose to which I will not allude, and beg him to land you in the night—stay each of you in your own house till the first Sunday and then go to church together (with or without the sackcloth to which you have so often referred), and all may yet be well, especially if you publicly renounce Cricket and Taster's former intemperance; and also make a suitable offering towards the erection of that monument which, as I have already told you, is to be erected to commemorate the Hongkong Jubilee in a special manner; you have to fear in your first appearance, therefore let it be on Sunday and at Church—it is your best chance, your only chance. And do try to behave nicely during the service, don't talk, sing or whistle, don't sit on each other's hats and remember the immense responsibility which attaches to every—no! I will not write the word that is in your mind to every Batter and how they were all found wanting. If you still feel nervous about visiting the Club, disguise yourself in the Hat I have lent you, stand drinks for half an hour to all comers and let your studiously avoid the subject of return, describe how in the Tug-of-war the Hongkong Team pulled the Straits & Colombo teams into the sea. Let the Taster come in at that moment and support your statement (for you know your testimony is hardly sufficient even with free drinks) and then offer to buy Penjams. But you must avoid the Cricket subject. Talk of the features of Singapore, the bartering of the gun, the Smoking Concert, the surprise and delight with which you once again saw horses and carriages; tell them of the beauty of the ladies, the varied character of the population and products, describe as nearly as you can the Postmaster General, the Attorney General, the Museum and the Steelback Railway, but if you ever hope to see your happy home again avoid the word Cricket as you do whiskey, Mangle the Taster *in vino veritas* and who knows what he might not say under the influence of that Truth Teller.

Yours Ever,

F. W. SWETTENHAM.

19th January.

Detachment Orders by Major Blair-Eye.

(1)—The Team will parade at 6.30 a.m. for the Weekly Health Inspection—legs, arms and chest to be bare.

(2)—The team will parade at 6.30 p.m. in review order to cater for our general Commander—Captain Whiter—night watch in right place, and officers. On this occasion a slight departure from our usual Temperance Principles will be overlooked—the Band will not play.

(3)—N. M. New Growth and Sister Ann are taken off the Sick List. Sister Ann is severely reprimanded for absence from his Nursery from 9 to 11 o'clock last night. The C.O. begs to remind him that such conduct may seriously endanger his future career. As we are approaching Hongkong, Sister Ann will now lift his hat to his senior officers.

(4)—The Team will give an example of their vocal powers after dinner to-night.

(5)—The engines will be oiled at noon and 4 p.m. punctually. Lost:—In the general scrimmage last night a Hat belonging to Taster—finder please return to the Bar.

By order, TASTER, Adj.

Richard is himself again. All the Team must be at breakfast. Deck lively during forenoon. Afternoon, cricket. Taster, Long 'un, Blobs, Blair Eye and one or two more are all looking forward to the Hongkong Jubilee and speculating as to the amount of "reception" we will get. The dinner to Capt. Whiter passed off most successfully being almost a replication of that to Capt. Sexton. A well must be drawn over the scene. A first class concert afterwards took place—the following being the programme.

The Orders are out for.

20th January.

Detachment Orders by Major Blair-Eye.

In disbanding and bidding farewell to those world-renowned cricketers of Hongkong the C.O. takes this opportunity of thanking his men

board to allow of any fun. A small chorus was got up in the evening, but it was anything but a success. The following appeared shortly after breakfast:—

Manifesto.

January 17th, 1891.

MY BRAVE HAIKONS—I have now the dishonour of looking after your public and private welfare—owing to our C.O. having gone out shooting the Felice Tribes. During my command, Insobriety will be a recommendation for, instead of a bar to, promotion. Every member may drink and eat as much as he likes—I especially commend sea water to those humanitarian members who have no wish to starve the fishes. It was Temperance that lost us our two last Cricket Matches and henceforward are enemies. The Long 'Un has promised to propose a toast every evening at dinner and it is requested that no one will go under the table till that is done. The restrictions as regards the second class saloon are removed—as they were grossly illegal (See "The Law of Points of the Compass"). None of the ship's officers are to be allowed to tell stories, and no sights (of the bottom of the glass) are to be taken.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. Hilding Clark, Puisne Judge).

January 19th, 1891.

HARLING v. FUNG POI.
A SHARE SQUADDER.

This was a suit for \$300 damages for non-delivery of certain shares.

Mr. Hastings (of Messrs. Wotton and Deacon's office) was for the plaintiff, and Mr. Robinson for the defendant.

Mr. Hastings said plaintiffs were suing for damages for breach by the defendant of a contract to sell thirty shares in the Labuk Rubber Company. The agreement was made on the 27th of December, 1890, and was a further call on them of \$10, making the price equal to \$20 per share. Defendant refused to deliver the shares, and in consequence plaintiffs were obliged to purchase thirty shares in the market at \$30 per share, thus leaving a balance of \$10 per share, which they now claimed from the defendant.

Carl Heinrich Rogge, share-broker, said—Received instructions from the plaintiffs on 27th or 28th November last to purchase certain Labuk shares. I went to find a Chinese broker who had spoken to me some days previously about some shares he wanted to sell. The Chinese broker was Wong Yik Lam. I asked him on the 27th whether those shares were still for sale. He said they were. I knew that only \$15 instead of \$25 had been paid up on those shares. I undertook to take them provided the shares were not already forfeited. The price mentioned was \$10 per share. The number of shares mentioned was 30, and I did not get half an hour later. I took a note of the numbers at the time. I said the broker that the thing was definitely settled and that I accepted the shares. He gave me the name of his principal as Fung Poi, the defendant in this suit. This was on a Saturday, and he told me the shares could not be delivered till Tuesday or Wednesday as Fung Poi was at Canton. I said that that would be all right. On the following Wednesday I asked Wong Yik Lam for the shares and offered payment. He told me his client had not yet returned from Canton. I was expected daily to come to me and said he was very sorry but would be troublesome over the business. He said he had a row with Fung Poi, who returned that morning. Fung Poi, he said, had heard that the market had gone up and refused to deliver the shares. He said Fung Poi wanted to see me. The shares had risen in consequence of some news received from Borneo. I told Wong Yik Lam I had nothing to do with his principal and refused to see him. Either that day or the following day I was stopped in the street by Wong Yik Lam, who introduced Fung Poi to me. I told Fung Poi that I had nothing to do with him personally, but that I should insist on the delivery of the shares. He said the price was too low. I said I had nothing to do with that; and that I understood he had instructed Wong Yik Lam to sell the shares. Fung Poi said he might have given instructions, but he had given no written authority. I asked him to come to Messrs. Wotton and Deacon's office and arrange the thing. Fung Poi was told there that unless he delivered the shares others would be bought on the market to replace them. He refused to deliver them. I tried to buy shares on Saturday but could only get 25 shares at \$30—\$35 paid up. On Monday, by my client's instructions, I bought another lot of twenty-five at the same price. This was the lowest price at which I could get the shares.

Cross-examined—When I first spoke to Fung Poi about the shares he said he did not care what I did, and that he would right it out. I told him he had to take the \$300 and that he would get no more. He tried to persuade me to raise the price to \$12. At the interview in Messrs. Wotton and Deacon's office Mr. Wotton tried to persuade him to hand over the shares, but he refused. About a week afterwards he offered the shares at \$10, but my client refused to accept them as they had already been replaced. The market had gone down then.

Joseph R. Michael, broker, said—On the 5th and 6th of December last I did business with Labuk shares at \$30. That was the fair market price at the time. On Monday, the 8th, the rate was about the same.

Wong Yik Lam, broker, said—On 19th November last I went to see the defendant to try and get some orders. He gave me an order to sell 30 Labuk shares on which \$25 had been paid up—at \$10. I offered them to several of my principals but did not succeed in selling them. Afterwards I met Mr. Rogge, and he agreed to purchase the shares provided the scrip was valid. I went to the defendant and told him what Mr. Rogge said. He said "all right," and produced the scrip. I copied the numbers. I then went to Mr. Rogge and gave him the numbers. I saw him again at one o'clock, when he said it was all right. He asked me whether the scrip was standing in the name of Fung Poi and I said it was. I went to see Fung Poi in the afternoon but could not find him. On Sunday I wrote a note to him, telling him that the matter was settled, the shares to be delivered on Monday. I had previously told him the shares were sold, but it is the custom to give a written notice afterwards. I went on Monday to Fung Poi's house to see the shares, but was informed that he had gone to Canton on Sunday evening. He returned on Thursday and I saw him that morning, and asked him for the shares. He said, "This morning a broker told me the market has gone up and I won't give you the shares. I have lost too much by this." I said he could not back out of the transaction. He said it was only a verbal order. I informed Mr. Rogge, who went to the defendant several times to get him to deliver the shares, but he still refused. On Friday I took him to see Mr. Rogge, who advised him to give up the shares as they had been sold through me. The defendant said although he gave me an order it was not in writing. He took me aside and asked me to tell Mr. Rogge that if he could pay \$12.50 per share he would get the shares.

William Wotton (Messrs. Wotton and Deacon) said on the first visit of the defendant and Mr. Rogge to his office the defendant denied the contract and refused to deliver the shares. Nothing was said about the price of the shares being \$30. The defendant was notified by letter that unless the shares were delivered before 10.30 a.m. on the 6th of December, 30 shares would be purchased in the market at the current rate and he would be charged with the difference in price. The defendant still refused to deliver the shares, but on the 8th of December he came to the office again and offered the shares at \$10. Before that time the shares had been replaced by purchase in the market.

Cross-examined—No tender of the price of the shares was made; the defendant denied the contract.

Mr. Robinson said on the merits the defence was that no authority was given to Wong Yik Lam by the defendant to dispose of the shares at the price mentioned, but he had been obliged to raise the technical defence that there was no proper tender by the plaintiff of the price of the shares.

THE DEFENCE.

Fung Poi, the defendant, said he had been 20 years in the Dispensary and now lived on his

tenis. He never gave Wong Yik Lam any instructions about any of the shares. That man came to see him about three months ago. He met him in the street and asked him about the quotations. In reply he said there had been very few sales, but he would see about it and inform him. He came to see him again on Saturday, the 25th of November, and told him a man offered \$25 for the Labuk, but he wanted to know what the numbers of the shares were, and whether they had been forfeited. He said if the shares had not been forfeited he would probably give a little more for them. Witness remarked that \$25 was rather a low price, but gave the numbers of the shares and said if he offered a higher price he (witness) could do business. He did not see Wong Yik Lam again until the 4th of December, when he (witness) came back from Canton. When he got home his wife told him that a letter had come from a broker. He opened it and found it was from Wong Yik Lam. That letter he got back from him subsequently, therefore he could not produce it in Court. The letter produced was not the one referred to. The contents of the letter were—

"Dear Mr. Fung Poi—I said at your order on your account to a broker 30 shares Labuk Planting Co. at \$25 per share. Please send down your scrip." That note was dated 12th December. He thought it strange to see Messrs. Holmes and Roddy's clerk about the scrip. Wong called at eleven o'clock. A man named W. Cheok Ming was breakfasting with him at that time. He asked Wong why he had sold the shares without his authority. He said he thought he (witness) wanted money, and therefore sold them, getting the top price of the market. He stayed there about an hour, bearing him to give up the shares. He said he could guarantee the shares would be bought back at the same price. In reply to a question as to why he did not come to see him on the Saturday about the shares, he said it was owing to his getting the price to \$10 per share from his own purse. He still refused and finally the man went away. He came back about half an hour later looking very pleased and said that the man who wanted to buy the shares had promised to cancel the transaction. He then asked him to return the letter before mentioned. He did so. The following day he met Wong in the street and said Mr. Rogge wanted to see him. Shortly after he met Mr. Rogge who said "I bought 30 shares from you, broker to whom you gave an order." He offered him a cheque for \$300. He (witness) said "Why \$300? The broker told me the price was \$250." Mr. Rogge said "Never mind him (the broker); you and I are good friends, you had better give me the shares, otherwise Messrs. Schellhaas will sue you!" On the Monday following Mr. Rogge asked him to go with him to Messrs. Wotton and Deacon's office. Wong made him no offer of \$300 as the 27th of November. He was then in Canton.

Cross-examined—He gave no authority to Wong to close with any offer for the shares. He gave him the numbers of the shares so that they might be sold if the price went up. The first time he saw the letter produced was in Court. He never threw it back at Wong when that party came to his house. He came back from Canton on Thursday morning, about two o'clock. Wong did not tell him that he had sold at \$10 per share. Wong said he had only made \$35 profit in two months as a broker. "Give me the shares," said he, "and have play on me."

Re-examined—He was a relative of Chan Kam Chiu.

Chan Kam Chiu, clerk to Messrs. Holmes and Roddy, said his house was near that of the defendant. About the beginning of December the defendant called at his house. He showed him a letter signed by Wong Yik Lam which ran to the effect that he had sold 30 Labuk shares to a broker on his behalf at \$25 per share, and wanted the scrip sent to him quickly. The letter produced was not the one he referred to in the early part of December.

Mrs. Fung Pang Shi said she was not able to read English so could not speak positively about the letter which was left at her house by Mr. Wong. The letter produced appeared to be the one she received during her husband's absence.

Mr. Hastings, in summing up, said his lordship would see that there was a contract to sell shares of the Labuk Company. The question was whether the authority to do so was given in due course.

In the course of a lengthy judgment for the defendant, with costs, his lordship said he felt convinced that no authority was given by the defendant for the sale of the 30 Labuk shares and he thought the plaintiffs had only themselves to blame if they dealt in the streets with irresponsible persons at odd corners, persons who had to run into chemists and other shops to write cheques and sign documents. If that was the case, he thought the defendant was to blame. He thought his lordship and the Attorney-General would agree with him in saying that if the prisoner had a claim against the complainant for some furniture that would be a different matter to the charge of stealing against him with intent to defraud. Addressing the jury on the facts he said the meeting in the seamen's club was not a hostile but a pacific meeting, and was called to settle the question of furniture which was afterwards mentioned. That was the state of affairs and which would be his client's. Another point was, who was the prisoner? The complainant at the Magistrate's said the prisoner came to his house with several others. A few days later the same complainant to the other magistrate said that when the men came to his house the prisoner was brought in with another man. It therefore was seen that in the former case he was described as being one of the gang, whereas in the second case the prisoner is described as being the one who entered the house to bring the furniture. He thought that there was no hostile meeting but that a meeting had been convened by the complainant to settle a dispute over which they wrangled, and finally settled the matter by signing a promissory note for \$35. He therefore asked for a unanimous verdict of acquittal.

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The Attorney-General prosecuted and said the prisoner had been living with the complainant for about three months, sleeping in a room on the first floor of the premises. At noon on the day in question the complainant saw the money deposited in the safe and at about 3 p.m. the same day, having occasion to again go to the safe, he found the money missing. Information was given to the police and the prisoner was arrested about 6 p.m. on the premises, the money being found between some boards above the prisoner's bed. The money being found where it was naturally led to the supposition that it had been stolen by the prisoner or that he had received it from someone by whom it had been extracted from the safe, and the onus of proof was thrown upon the prisoner to account as to how he came by it, and if he could not give a satisfactory account the jury would be justified in finding the prisoner guilty of stealing it.

The complainant said the safe was in the accountant's room and about 2.15 p.m. on the 28th December he opened the safe to get a draft for a friend. After speaking with his friend for half an hour he returned to the safe when he found the money had disappeared. No other person was present but his friend and himself. A partition separated the accountant's room from the shop, and after missing the money witness saw a plank had been removed from the bottom part of the partition, which made an aperture large enough to admit a person getting through.

By his Lordship—The prisoner slept alone in the room where the money was found. He could not say if any other person had access to the room.

Chang Wu Fang, a witness who gave important evidence at the Magistrate, failed to appear.

Evidence was given by the policeman who arrested the prisoner and found the money in his room.

The prisoner in his defence denied stealing the money and said he did not know anything about it or how it came to be found in his room. The jury returned a unanimous verdict of "not guilty" and the prisoner was discharged.

The Sessions were adjourned till 10 a.m. to-morrow.

January 20th.

DEMANDING MONEY WITH MENACES.
Chan Wing was charged with demanding a valuable security with menaces, on the 9th December last. The Attorney-General (Mr. W. M. Goodman) prosecuted and Mr. E. Robinson defended.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The following were the jurors—A. H. Hoogh, E. J. Obadiah, F. Rotton, J. J. Keswick, A. A. De Jesus, R. Mitchell and E. W. Matland.

The Attorney-General said the prisoner was charged on three counts, first with stealing, secondly with assaulting Lai Ying and thirdly with being one of a party to enter a room and there demand by menaces and threats a sum of \$35 on the 9th December. The facts of the case were that the complainant, who was a seaman, took a girl from a ship brother on the 9th December last. He lived with her for a few days and then went to sea, returning on the 8th December. He went to his house and found the girl living with a man named Kow Tow. Complainant then went to the station and reported the matter to the girl afterwards rejoined him. On the 9th December, Kow Tow went to him and demanded some money. He first asked \$40 and then reduced the amount to \$35. The prisoner, who was one of a party of five men, who are said to have been armed, entered the house, No. 3 on Lane, and there with others belted the complainant into signing a note for \$35. The prisoner was the man who actually wrote out the note and under menaces and threats made the complainant sign it.

Lai Ying, the complainant, was called and gave evidence in support of the charge. He was to pay the money by promissory note in a month. The note was to the effect that Lai Ying owes to Li Tak the sum of \$35 to be paid in a month. The note was witnessed and dated 9th December. He did not owe any one of those men \$35. He did not know if any of the men belonged to a secret society.

Witness was cross-examined at some length, after which the man who witnessed the signing of the note and a woman were also called by the prosecution.

Inspector Perry was called and in cross-examination said the prisoner was arrested after a case had been tried at the Magistrate in which complainant and prisoner were interested.

Mr. Robinson, for the defence, said the charge against the prisoner was for using threats and violence with intent to steal a valuable security. He thought no evidence of such a preliminary note and that therefore the prisoner could not be charged with stealing.

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